Question for written answer E-002610/2021 to the Commission

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Subject: Nutri-score labelling and fisheries products

On 28 April 2021, Parliament's Committee on Fisheries adopted its opinion on the farm to fork strategy (2020/2260(INI))

In paragraph 37 of the opinion, the committee stressed the need for a harmonised EU legal framework with a view to developing a mandatory front-of-pack nutrition labelling system, and urged the Member States to refrain from taking unilateral actions that could hinder the harmonisation of the Commission's efforts.

It also called for the presence of omega-3 to be considered a positive when the nutri-scores are being developed, and for the ratio of saturated to unsaturated fats to be taken into account when attributing penalty points.

- 1. What view does the Commission take of the Spanish Minister for Consumer Affairs' insistence on introducing nutri-score labelling unilaterally, potentially hampering harmonisation efforts at EU level?
- 2. Is the Commission aware of the criticism levelled at nutri-score labelling¹ by the supervisory boards of a number of protected-designation-of-origin and protected-geographical-indication products such as Mexillón de Galicia (Galician mussels)², Arzúa-Ulloa cheese, Queixo-Tetillam (a cow's milk cheese), Carne de Vacún (beef) and Castaña de Galicia (Galician chestnuts)?

https://www.farodevigo.es/arousa/2021/04/18/nutriscore-etiquetado-genera-dudas-48444362.html

https://www.lavozdegalicia.es/noticia/somosmar/consumo-mar/2021/03/10/mexillon-galicia-une-consellos-piden-reformas-etiquetado-nutriscore/00031615391668787774764.htm