## Question for written answer E-004734/2021 to the Commission Rule 138 Marek Belka (S&D)

## Subject: Forest management in Poland

Bolimów Landscape Park is yet another example of destructive forest management in Poland. The local community is reporting the occurrence of logging in this protected area, which includes par of Łódzki Province, a region particularly threatened by the negative effects of climate change. However, this is not the only example of the large-scale exploitation of forest resources by the national forestry company Lasy Państwowe, which, for the past few years, has been logging timber at a rate of around 40 million cubic metres a year. Unfortunately, much of this resource is being taken from protected regions. It is also known that the Commission has already initiated proceedings against Poland for logging in the Białowieża Forest, but these have still not had the desired effect. This all indicates a possible continuation of a policy of deforestation on an unprecedented scale, at a time when the EU is placing more emphasis than ever before on protecting biodiversity and natural resources and prioritising green solutions.

In light of the above:

- 1. Has the Polish Government fully complied with judgement C-441/17? If not, what action has been or will be taken to address this?
- 2. How does the Commission monitor the reliability of data published by Lasy Państwowe regarding forest resource management?
- 3. What is the Commission's view of the government's forestry management as carried out by stateowned companies in Poland?