

Question for written answer E-000857/2022
to the Commission
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Subject: Allowing the use of peat

In the new international political situation, it has been noted that energy self-sufficiency is of great importance. Security and energy are intertwined, now perhaps more than ever.

Finland is a country with a cold climate and long distances, where a great deal of energy is consumed. In 2020, two thirds of Finland's crude oil, about half of its coal and about two thirds of its natural gas were imported from Russia. Peat accounts for 12% of Finland's total emissions, while its share of energy production is 4%.

Despite the fact that the EU plans to eliminate the use of peat, does the Commission plan to issue any concessions, at least of a temporary nature, for the use of peat as part of the energy mix of Member States and in view of the uncertain political situation, or does the Commission's position on the use of peat remain unchanged?