

**Question for written answer E-002960/2022
to the Commission**
Rule 138
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Subject: Animal welfare control through the installation of video surveillance systems

On 24 August 2022, Spain became the first EU country to bring into force legislation requiring slaughterhouse operators to install video surveillance systems in areas where live animals are kept, including stunning and bleeding areas. I consider this legislation to be a major step forward in terms of ensuring transparency in the handling of animals. Given that the animal welfare agenda is an important EU policy, I have two questions in this regard:

1. Does the Commission intend to propose an EU-wide regulation on the compulsory installation of video surveillance systems in slaughterhouses?
2. Does the Commission intend to propose an EU-wide regulation on the additional compulsory installation of video surveillance systems in places where animals are kept, including places for insemination, birth and where they are loaded and unloaded from transport trucks?