## Question for written answer E-003979/2022 to the Commission Rule 138 Clare Daly (The Left)

Subject: The export of live cattle and sheep to non-EU countries

Member States export a large number of farm animals to the Middle East, North Africa and Turkey. Slaughter methods in this region do not respect the standards on welfare at slaughter of the World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH).

Cattle have been transported by road from Ireland to Spain and Croatia and then by sea to Lebanon. However, the journey log ends at the departure port, which does not conform to the Court of Justice judgment in case C-424/13. The judgment ruled that, for journeys to non-EU countries, the journey log must indicate that Regulation (EC) No 1/2005 on the protection of animals during transport will be complied with throughout the entire journey, including the stages of the journey outside the EU.

Will the Commission:

- 1. propose a ban on the export of live animals to countries where slaughter does not comply with the WOAH standards on welfare at slaughter?
- 2. make it clear that the competent authorities must not authorise a journey log that does not document the entire journey, including the stages of the journey outside the EU, whether the non-EU stages are by road or sea?

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