Question for written answer E-002821/2023 to the Commission Rule 138

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Subject: Illegal fishing in EU waters

The Salmon Fishing Forum claims that in June and early July 2023, illegal fishing vessels flying (fake) Danish flags were sighted between Ireland and Iceland illegally fishing for Atlantic salmon. This has resulted in fewer salmon reaching Ireland's rivers.

- 1. Is the Commission aware of any illegal fishing taking place in EU waters?
- 2. How are EU waters monitored in order to curb illegal fishing?
- 3. Are there appropriate measures in place to prevent illegal fishing?

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