

**Question for written answer E-003102/2023
to the Commission**

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Subject: Measures to stop the spread of epizootic haemorrhagic disease (EHD)

On 21 September 2023 the French Minister of Agriculture, Marc Fesneau, announced that cattle on three French farms had been infected with the epizootic haemorrhagic viral disease (EHD). So far, in Europe, the disease has been reported in Italy (notably in Sardinia and Sicily), Portugal and Spain. Any EU country that detects an outbreak of EHD is obliged to put in place surveillance measures to monitor its evolution, banning the transportation of any ruminant infected with the disease to other Member States for breeding.

In view of the above and given that there is no vaccine against the EHD, can the Commission clarify what measures it intends to put in place to combat the disease?

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