Question for written answer E-003686/2023 to the Commission Rule 138 David McAllister (PPE)

Subject: Ratification of the EU-Canada Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) and Strategic Partnership Agreement (SPA)

Negotiations on the EU-Canada CETA were concluded in August 2014, almost 10 years ago. While the CETA and the SPA provisionally entered into force in 2017, certain parts will only enter into effect upon their ratification by all EU Member States. Given the foregoing:

- 1. How many Member States have ratified the CETA and the SPA?
- 2. How many Member States are still to ratify these agreements and what are the reasons for these substantial delays?
- 3. How does the Commission support Member States in ensuring that both agreements are ratified as soon as possible, given their geopolitical relevance?

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