Question for written answer E-000532/2024 to the Commission Rule 138

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Subject: A ban on capturing animals in the wild for biomedical experiments

An article on the conditions for authorisation of a 'primatology centre' has incidentally revealed that the majority of primates used for biomedical experiments in France still come from abroad¹.

However, according to Articles 9 and 10 of Directive 2010/63/EU on the protection of animals used for scientific purposes, animals taken from the wild should not be used in these procedures if it can be avoided.

In the question for written answer E-001141/2022², I informed the Commission that Article 10 of the aforementioned directive required them to publish a study, by 10 November 2022 at the latest, on the feasibility of laboratories being supplied exclusively with non-human primates bred on farms.

- Can the Commission tell us whether it has finally carried out this study and, if so, what are its findings?
- 2. The Commission also stated that it intended to prohibit the use of non-human primates in scientific procedures³. Has there finally been progress in this direction?

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