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to the Commission**

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Subject: CETA assessment and measures to protect our farmers

The EU-Canada Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) entered partially into force on 21 September 2017.

Now, almost seven years later, can the Commission draw up an initial assessment of its partial application, focusing in particular on developments in the opening of Canadian public procurement markets to European companies and, broken down by sector, the evolution of the trade balance between the EU and Canada and between France and Canada?

Canada could start making significant use of its duty-free quota for beef and veal exports to the EU, which is set at 65 000 tonnes. However, Canadian farms rely heavily on growth-promoting antibiotics and animal meal, whereas some of these products are banned in the EU.

What specific measures does the Commission intend to take to control the quality of Canadian exports and to protect European farmers who are rightly concerned about potential unfair competition that would destabilise our agricultural sectors?

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