Priority question for written answer P-000956/2024 to the Commission

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Subject: Origin labelling for fossil energy imported into the EU

EU sanctions against Russia are still being circumvented. In spite of tough sanctions and import bans, Russian oil and gas are finding their way to Europe. Research demonstrates that Europe's fossil energy dependence is helping to fund Russia's war chest. This must be stopped. To make that possible, there needs to be origin labelling for all fossil energy imported into the EU so that the origin of the oil and gas concerned can be traced and any attempt to import Russian fossil energy can be stopped.

The Commission made a similar proposal on origin labelling for fossil energy products back in 2011, but it was dropped after negotiations. Renewable energy is already origin-labelled in the EU.

Therefore: In view of Russia's war of invasion in Ukraine and the need to stop all funding for Russian fossil energy and verify that sanctions against Russia are fully complied with, is the Commission prepared to submit a fresh proposal for mandatory origin labelling for all fossil energy imported into the EU?

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