

**Question for written answer E-002339/2024/rev.1
to the Commission**
Rule 144
Marion Maréchal (ECR)

Subject: Review of the EU regulation on seal products

On 19 October 2023, the Commission submitted a report on the implementation of Regulation (EC) No 1007/2009 on trade in seal products.

Following that report, and at the request of some Member States bordering the Baltic Sea, as well as Norway and Canada, the Commission launched the following year a call for contributions to draw up a review of the Regulation and the Directive banning the import of skins of certain seal pups and derived products, such as omega-3 capsules and garments made from processed seal skins and fur.

1. In order to address concerns expressed by some animal welfare associations about a possible undermining of the protection of seals, can the Commission explain why it considered it necessary to undertake a review of the EU rules on trade in seal products, when they already contain strict derogations which seem to meet their objectives?
2. Can the Commission also state when it will present the conclusions of its consultations?
3. Which parties have been consulted (associations, public or private bodies...)?

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