**Question for written answer E-001859/2025**
**to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Labelling and transparency requirements for hybrid meat products

Hybrid meat products consist of a combination of animal-based and plant-based proteins. For meat substitutes, strict rules apply regarding labelling and marketing: such products cannot be marketed under names like ‘chicken’ or ‘minced meat’. However, for hybrid meat products, these rules currently do not apply.

1. Is the Commission aware of the difference in nutritional value between hybrid meat products and traditional meat products consisting entirely of animal proteins?

2. Does the Commission agree that consumers may be misled if it is not clearly indicated on the label that a product partly consists of plant-based proteins and, if so, does the Commission share my opinion that specific labelling rules should be introduced for hybrid meat products to ensure transparency and consumer protection?

3. Moreover, does the Commission acknowledge that clear labelling is also crucial for people with legume intolerances, who need to be fully informed about the presence of plant-based ingredients in such products in order to manage potential health risks?

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