

**Question for written answer E-003932/2025
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Trade restrictive measures

Efforts are under way to strengthen the EU's legislative framework against unsustainable fishing by non-EU countries, particularly through trade restrictive measures. Such measures are known to be successful in ensuring multilateral compliance in fisheries management, such as those taken under recommendation 06-13 of the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas.

In the light of the upcoming annual meeting of the General Fisheries Management Organisation (GFCM) this November:

1. Does the Commission view trade restrictive measures within regional fisheries management organisations, particularly the GFCM, to be an effective means of ensuring compliance by non-EU countries?
2. Will the Commission propose or adopt the corrective measures within the GFCM framework?
3. What specific measures will the Commission take at the upcoming GFCM annual meeting to ensure compliance, the introduction of corrective measures and follow-up on cases of non-compliance by non-EU countries in the Mediterranean Sea?

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