

Question for written answer E-000062/2026
to the Commission
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Subject: Europe-wide farmer protests and the need for immediate interventions for the sustainability of the primary sector

In recent months there have been widespread farmer protests in many EU Member States, highlighting the deep crisis facing the primary sector. Farmers are complaining, among other things, about increased production costs, low selling prices for their products, unfair competition from non-EU imports which are not subject to the same environmental and quality standards, and the excessive bureaucracy of the Common Agricultural Policy.

These pressures directly threaten the viability of farms and the social cohesion of rural areas, particularly small rural economies and island or disadvantaged regions/areas, such as Cyprus.

Can the Commission say:

1. What immediate and concrete measures does it intend to take to support farmers' income and reduce production costs, taking the Europe-wide protests into account?
2. Does it intend to review aspects of the CAP that create an excessive bureaucratic burden, especially for small and medium-sized farms?
3. How does it ensure that imports of agricultural products from non-EU countries do not undermine European farmers through lower production standards?

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