

**Question for written answer E-001866/2026
to the Commission**
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Subject: Cuts to the CAP in the new MFF and the devastating impact on Greek agriculture

The European Commission has proposed significant cuts and radical restructuring to the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) budget under the next Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF 2028-2034). Although the Commission says certain funds are being ‘protected’, overall funding for agriculture is being reduced significantly in real terms and there will now be strong competition from other EU policy priorities.

Bearing in mind that Greek primary production is largely based on direct payments, consists mainly of small and medium-sized farms and depends on sectors such as olive cultivation, livestock farming, fruit and vegetables and on mountainous and island regions facing unique challenges, can the Commission answer the following:

1. How does it assess the specific effects of the proposed cuts on Greek rural regions, especially in areas with high dependence on the CAP, low competitiveness and increased production costs, and which are strongly affected by climate change?
2. Does it intend to ensure sufficient and protected funds for Greece that are not reduced in real terms (taking into account inflation and the energy crisis), so that there is no further drop in the income of Greek farmers and livestock farmers?
3. What specific safeguards does it provide for simplifying bureaucratic procedures, supporting small and medium-sized producers and young farmers in order to prevent further abandonment of Greece’s rural areas and the shrinking of national agricultural production?

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