**Question for written answer E-003798/2026**
**to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Open letter signed by 573 European scientists on the Food and Feed Omnibus

On 17 September 2026, 573 scientists called for the legislative process on the Food and Feed Omnibus to be paused[1], pending an assessment of its potential impact on human health and the environment. This runs counter to repeated claims by the Commission that the omnibus proposal will impact neither the health of citizens nor the environment.

So far, the Commission has not provided any impact assessment of its proposal, other than an estimated EUR 335.6 million in administrative cost savings for corporations.

1. On what evidence does the Commission base its claim in its staff working documents that health and environmental protection will be ensured?

2. Does the opinion of 573 scientists give cause for the Commission to reassess its safety claims, or even to perform the habitual impact assessment?

3. Can the Commission explain why it has not performed an impact assessment in the first place, other than noting the administrative savings that accrue to the bottom line of corporations?

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[1] Leiden University, 'European scientists sign open letter on relaxation of pesticide regulations', open letter, 16 September 2026, https://www.universiteitleiden.nl/en/news/2026/09/european-scientists-sign-open-letter-on-relaxation-of-pesticide-regulations.