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Question for written answer E-001579/25
to the Commission
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Subject: Support for farmers affected by low temperatures in March 2025

In March 2025, Romania was hit by late frosts and sub-zero temperatures after many farmers had already sown their spring crops. These adverse weather conditions caused significant losses, severely affecting agricultural production and farmers' incomes.

Late spring frosts also constitute a major threat to fruit growing, especially during the flowering season, when fruit trees are extremely vulnerable. Sub-zero temperatures at this critical stage of development are liable to seriously compromise this year's production.

1. Given that in February 2025 the Commission allocated EUR 98,6 million from the agricultural reserve to support farmers in certain Member States affected by natural disasters and extreme weather events, would it not consider it appropriate to extend these measures to Romanian farmers affected by the frosts in March 2025?
2. What concrete measures is the Commission considering to financially support farmers in Romania affected by these exceptional climatic conditions?

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Answer given by Mr Hansen on behalf of the European Commission
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Under the common market Organisation Regulation ⁽¹⁾ the Commission may adopt exceptional measures financed by the agricultural reserve and may provide emergency support to farmers negatively affected by extreme adverse weather events and natural disasters as it recently did for producers in Spain, Croatia, Cyprus, Latvia and Hungary ⁽²⁾.

This exceptional measure followed a request for support from the five Member States and was designed following an assessment of the situation and of its exceptional nature by the Commission services, based *inter alia* on the available information and data on actual damages and losses per sector provided by the relevant Member States.

The Commission has not received information from Romania on damages due to frost events that occurred in March 2025.

⁽¹⁾ <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2013/1308/oj>.

⁽²⁾ http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_impl/2025/441/oj.