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**Priority question for written answer P-001086/25
to the Commission**

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Subject: Is the Commission abandoning the objectives of the Farm to Fork Strategy?

On Wednesday 19 February, Commissioner Christophe Hansen unveiled the Commission's 'vision' for agriculture and food. This roadmap was accompanied by several interviews with the Commissioner on the subject of the Green Deal and the Farm to Fork Strategy, on which some clarification is needed.

Does the Commission intend to maintain the following objectives:

- a 50% reduction in plant protection products by 2030,
- a 20% reduction in fertilisers by 2030,
- 25% of agricultural land under organic farming by 2030,
- a 50% reduction in sales of antimicrobials used for farmed animals and in aquaculture,
- the Animal Transport Directive?

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Answer given by Mr Hansen on behalf of the European Commission

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The Commission remains committed to the objectives of reducing the overall use and risk of chemical pesticides, cutting nutrient losses, reducing overall EU sales of antimicrobials for farmed animals and in aquaculture, and increasing the level of organic farming as well as organic aquaculture.

The Vision for Agriculture and Food ⁽¹⁾ underlines that farmers need appropriate support of various kinds to help them make their contribution to achieving these objectives — in an approach which addresses the need for environmental, economic and social sustainability.

The quantified targets referred to by the Honourable Members are not legally binding. However, the underlying indicators are part of the Commission's established set of context indicators on the Common Agricultural Policy ⁽²⁾, and on that basis will continue to be monitored alongside the Commission's various other indicators which relate to the farming and food sectors.

Regarding animal transport, on 7 December 2023, the Commission adopted a proposal ⁽³⁾ for a new Regulation on the protection of animals during transport. This proposal is now being examined by the European Parliament and the Council.

¹ This question is supported by a Member other than the authors: Jean-Paul Garraud (Pfe)

⁽¹⁾ <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX:52025DC0075>

⁽²⁾ https://agridata.ec.europa.eu/extensions/DataPortal/context_indicators.html

⁽³⁾ <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=COM:2023:770:FIN>