

**Question for oral answer O-000105/2015
to the Commission**

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Subject: A new animal welfare strategy for 2016-2020

The Commission communication on the European Union Strategy for the Protection and Welfare of Animals 2012-2015 (COM(2012)0006) has been much welcomed by the European Parliament, as it has set a clear roadmap for actions in the EU animal welfare policy field during the last five years. Parliament was particularly pleased that the strategy introduced many aspects of Parliament's resolution of 5 May 2010¹.

Parliament appreciates the progress made so far and encourages the Commission to make sure that the action points still outstanding are delivered on time.

Will the Commission draw up a new strategy for the protection and welfare of animals for the 2016-2020 period so as to ensure the continuity and clarity of operations which are essential to achieving further positive developments in EU animal welfare policy?

Will the Commission, as a crucial part of a new animal welfare strategy, prepare a proposal for a simplified EU legislative framework for animal welfare, as called for by Parliament in its resolution of 4 July 2012 on the European Union Strategy for the Protection and Welfare of Animals 2012-2015²?

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¹ OJ C 81 E, 15.3.2011, p. 25.

² OJ C 349 E, 29.11.2013, p. 62.