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to the Commission**
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Subject: African swine fever

African swine fever – a high-risk disease which is extremely contagious and could cause a sharp decrease in pork production – has reached Eastern Europe. In September, the disease was detected at the northern border with Ukraine, near Suceava County, a county rich in forests, which could make it difficult to control the penetration of infected wild boar in Romania.

Certain preventive measures have been taken at the border by the National Veterinary Health and Food Safety Authority and each dead wild boar or game animal is also being tested for swine fever.

Given that it is a highly contagious disease, what measures does the Commission recommend in order to prevent it from spreading through the European Union?

Should there be any cases of swine fever on farms in Romania, has any provision been made for some kind of compensation in such situations?