

**Question for written answer E-014944/2015
to the Commission**

Rule 130

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Subject: Firing range on a site of Community interest (SCI) - failure to carry out an impact assessment

With reference to the firing range referred to in written question E-011964/15, on 20 April 2015 it was ascertained, from the reply to a question to the mayor, that no impact assessment had been carried out and that, accordingly, an administrative procedure had been initiated, as a protective measure, for the automatic cancellation of building permits No 82 of 14 October 2010 and No 47 of 30 May 2012.

However, no subsequent action has been taken to remedy the situation and the firing range in question remains operational within the SCI known as 'La Calvana', which is part of the Natura 2000 network established under Directive 92/43/EEC; this means there is a clear infringement of Article 6(3) of that directive.

Moreover, in 2014, the Commission's DG Environment had opened an investigation procedure entitled EU Pilot 6730/14/ENVI, with a view to determining whether, in Italy, there was a practice of systematically infringing Article 6 of the Habitats Directive, due to a number of activities and projects that were carried out without any proper environmental impact assessment procedure in SCIs and SPAs (special protection areas) that were part of the Natura 2000 network.

Can the Commission state:

- whether this case has already been taken into consideration in the above-mentioned investigation;
- what action it intends to take to ensure that EU law is complied with?