Question for written answer E-014656/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 Daniel Buda (PPE)

Subject: Continuous reduction in quantity of milk collected at processing centres

The quantity of milk collected in Romania is continuing to decrease compared to the last few months and to last year. For example, in August, the quantity of milk sent to collection or processing centres was down by 8.9 % from July and by 11.2 % from last year. From January to July 2015, the quantity of milk collected was down by 8.6 % compared to last year. This decrease is due to the severe drought in Romania this year, together with animal feed shortages.

What measures are being envisaged by the Commission to encourage dairy farmers to process milk themselves so as to avoid price increases and severe shortages of dairy products on the Romanian market?

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