

**Question for written answer E-014903/2015
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Reception and transit conditions for refugees in the EU

The situation of the refugees who have been flooding into Europe during the past few months raises humanitarian issues of the utmost importance. Witnessing the situation at first hand this week, I found it very disturbing to see how people are being forced to move on and what living conditions are like in the refugee camps, especially those in the EU.

The massive influx of refugees demands assistance – in the form of medical help, supplies of food and clothes, and rest and hygiene facilities – on a scale that is nowhere near to being matched, despite the valiant efforts of NGOs and thousands of volunteers.

Conditions in some of the camps that I have visited, especially within the EU, are deplorable and disgraceful and should be roundly condemned. Changes need to be made urgently.

1. Is the Commission aware of the situation in the refugee camps, especially those in Member States?
2. What steps are being taken to offer decent reception and transit conditions to refugees in Member States, in particular as far as camp conditions are concerned?
3. Specifically, what financial resources have been mobilised to date? For which particular purposes have they been used, and in which countries?