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Subject: EU-Turkey: Draft Action Plan on support of refugees and migration

Turkey is hosting over 2.2 million refugees, mostly from Syria and Iraq. 75 % of refugees coming into Europe this year made their way from Turkey.

The Draft Action Plan set forth by the Commission has been criticised for not referring Europe's responsibility in managing the refugee crisis. The EU intends to curb the influx of refugees coming into Europe by offering Turkey incentives for the successful implementation of this Action Plan.

Turkey has no provisions in law to grant non-European refugees full rights or to ensure that they will not be sent back to places where they are at risk. Approximately two thirds of children do not have access to education and adults do not have access to legal employment or naturalisation. This is the reason why they are seeking a better life in Europe.

- 1. Given the above reasons, is the Commission aware that Turkey is not fulfilling the necessary requirements in acting as a major receiver of asylum seekers?
- 2. Why is the Commission outsourcing its failed strategies to Turkey instead of actively improving its migration policy?
- 3. Is the Commission aware of the fact that by linking the Draft Action Plan to accession talks with Turkey it risks undermining the credibility of the EU's enlargement policy?

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