Question for written answer E-015387/2015 to the Commission
Rule 130
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Subject: Fresh acts of provocation by Turkey in the Aegean

At the recent summit which EU Heads of State and Government held with Turkey on 29 November, they took a number of decisions favourable to Turkey. In particular, the EU pledged to grant, in an initial phase, EUR 3 billion of additional funds to Turkey to address the refugee problem, gradually to relax visa requirements for Turkish citizens visiting the EU and to open new chapters in the accession negotiations.

It is, however, a fact that Turkey never honours its readmission agreements with the EU and Greece and is continuing its provocative violations of Greek airspace and, more generally, of the sovereign rights of Greece and Cyprus, even since that summit. In fact, Turkey is making no progress in honouring its commitments in the accession negotiations.

In view of the above, will the Commission say:

- 1. Has Turkey given the necessary guarantees that it will stand by what was agreed at the recent summit?
- 2. Does it believe that, in taking this position, Turkey is stepping up cooperation with Greece in managing the refugee crisis?

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