

**Question for written answer E-015814/2015
to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative)
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Subject: VP/HR - Mali

A mortar attack on a MINUSMA camp in Kidal, Northern Mali, has claimed the lives of three MINUSMA staff and injured 20. The Special Representative of the Secretary-General (SRSG), head of MINUSMA, has strongly condemned the attack.

Despite the peace agreement signed in June this year, violence continues in the North of Mali. As a result, 1.5 million people are still in need of international humanitarian assistance.

Given that access for humanitarian actors to the area is difficult, the re-opening of Kidal airport for humanitarian flights, a long-standing demand by the humanitarian community and now announced for January 2016, is crucial for the delivery of aid.

Does the VP/HR intend to take action to support the re-opening of Kidal airport?