Question for written answer E-013474/2015/rev.1 to the Commission
Rule 130
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Subject: Illegally in Europe

'The Geneva Refugee Convention states that refugees who do not enter a country legally must not be penalised, provided they present themselves without delay to the authorities and show good cause for their illegal entry.'

According to this statement (which can be found on the UNHCR's website http://www.unhcr.at/unhcr/in-oesterreich/fluechtlingsland-oesterreich/questions-and-answers/asylsuchende-in-oesterreich.html), a large proportion of 'asylum' seekers within the EU are making themselves liable to prosecution, as they mostly do not 'present themselves without delay to the authorities', as it is expressed, and in fact intentionally avoid so doing. This precarious situation is giving rise to numerous problems for individual EU Member States, as the legislation in place here is being deliberately disregarded. Meanwhile more than 100 000 'asylum' seekers are crossing EU borders without any checks or any desire to present themselves to the authorities, which is giving rise to huge security problems.

- 1. How does the Commission view the current security situation, given the fact that the majority of the Paris attackers on 13 November reached the city via migration routes?
- 2. What is the Commission's view of the Hungarian border fence?

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