Question for written answer E-006451/2014 to the Commission Rule 130 Notis Marias (ECR)

Subject: Fair share of funding for Crete under the Strategic Framework for Investment in

Transport 2014-2025

The meagre share of funding earmarked for Crete under the Strategic Framework for Investment in Transport 2014-2025 runs counter to any notion of proportionality, equal treatment or balanced regional development.

For example, Crete is to receive only EUR 251.4 for road works, that is to say 5.7% of the total amount (EUR 4.4 billion) earmarked for this purpose in Greece as a whole.

This is despite the lack of safe roads in Crete, one of the most popular tourist destinations in Greece, many road improvement projects having ground to a halt through lack of funding.

Of particular concern is northern link road, the scene of dozens of fatal road accidents, as well as the highly dangerous road between Iraklion and Mesara.

In view of this:

What action will the Commission take, and when, to ensure that Crete obtains a fair share of funding under the above strategic framework, thereby ensuring compliance with fundamental EU principles in this respect?

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