Question for written answer E-007419/2014 to the Commission Rule 130 Francesc Gambús (PPE)

Subject: Deaths of immigrants in the Mediterranean

The International Organization for Migration recently published a report confirming that more than 3 000 immigrants have died in the Mediterranean since the beginning of this year, meaning that since the year 2000 more than 22 000 people have lost their lives attempting to cross the Mediterranean. Furthermore, according to the UN High Commissioner for Refugees, 130 000 people have arrived in Europe by sea since the beginning of this year. With this in mind:

- 1. What is the Commission's assessment of the measures taken so far in an effort to prevent the loss of life in the Mediterranean?
- 2. Is the Commission intending to promote new measures to help Member States in the Mediterranean region prevent further loss of human life along our coasts?

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