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to the Commission**
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Subject: Morocco and migration policy

Over the last few months, Morocco has once again been confronted with a major migration problem.

However, this is different from its migration problems in the past.

For Morocco today is both a magnet for immigrants and a point of departure for emigrants.

Many people seek asylum in Morocco to escape the troubled regions further south.

Morocco has launched a large-scale 'regularisation' campaign. Of the 40 000 applicants registered, nearly 20 000 – particularly from vulnerable groups – are in the process of obtaining residence and work permits.

Could the Commission clarify what measures have been taken to support this 'regularisation' campaign, which, of course, will ease the pressure of migration on the European Union, particularly via the Spanish enclaves of Ceuta and Melilla?