Question for written answer E-009662/2014 to the Commission

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Subject: Access to information on the detention of third-country nationals

In its answer of 13 May 2013 to Written Question E-002523/2013 of 5 March 2013 regarding access to information on the detention of third-country nationals, the Commission referred to its recent report on the implementation of Regulation (EC) No 862/2007.

No data on the operation of detention systems and facilities are included in this regulation; however, the Commission stated in the conclusion of the report (COM(2012)0528) that certain amendments may be considered, particularly in order to add new data categories.

In its communication on the EU Return Policy (COM(2014)0199), the Commission described the difficulties encountered in collecting data on the detention of migrants, including on basic parameters such as average length of detention and grounds for detention.

- 1. Does the Commission intend to amend Regulation (EC) No 862/2007 so that it covers statistical data on the operation of detention systems and facilities?
- 2. Has the Commission taken any measures whether advisory or not to improve transparency of the operation of detention systems and facilities, thus improving the accuracy and reliability of the evaluation of the implementation of EU legislation in this area?

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