

**Question for written answer E-010656/2014  
to the Commission**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: Humanitarian aid in the Gaza Strip

The United Nations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA) in Gaza, following extreme weather conditions and serious flooding in recent weeks, launched an appeal to the international community to boost the various solidarity and aid schemes.

Hundreds of residents of flooded areas all around Sheikh Radwan were evacuated from their homes. A UNRWA school and a UNRWA reception centre in Gaza City were also affected by the rising waters.

Gaza City is one of the five areas that make up the Gaza Strip. It is a coastal enclave where around 1.3 million people live in very difficult conditions due to the recent Israeli aggression, the economic blockade and now the storms of recent days.

Faced with this picture, can the Commission say whether or not any steps are envisaged to boost the various EU aid schemes for the Palestinian state and especially the Gaza Strip?