Question for written answer E-004773/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 Barbara Matera (PPE)

Subject: Haiti five years after the earthquake disaster

For years, Haiti has faced serious challenges relating to governance, health, malnutrition and access to education.

The situation deteriorated further after the 2010 earthquake disaster.

Before the quake, 70 % of the country's citizens had no stable job, while around 78 % of the population subsisted on an average of less than USD 2 per day.

The January 2010 earthquake dramatically accentuated the difficult living conditions in the country, leaving the people poorer, destroying a vast quantity of infrastructure, and causing a grave humanitarian crisis.

According to figures reported by Save the Children, about 1.6 million people currently remain homeless.

Five years on, Haiti continues to struggle with unacceptable levels of poverty and of infant and maternal mortality.

- 1. Is the Commission updated on the worsened situation in Haiti?
- 2. Does the Commission intend to intervene in this context, to support the activities launched in cooperation between the World Bank, the United Nations and the NGOs?

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