

**Question for written answer E-004995/2015  
to the Commission**

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Subject: Decontamination of the Mediterranean

One of the declared objectives of the European Neighbourhood Policy for the south of the Mediterranean, enshrined in the Union for the Mediterranean, is the decontamination of the Mediterranean sea, including its coastal and protected marine areas.

1. Seven years on from setting this goal, can the Commission say what progress has been made towards achieving it?
2. Does the Commission consider that it might be met by 2020?