Question for written answer E-005687/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 Filiz Hyusmenova (ALDE)

Subject: Financial allocations under the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund

On 25 March 2015 the Commission approved 22 new multiannual national programmes under the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund (AMIF) and the Internal Security Fund (ISF) for the period 2014-2020, together worth approximately EUR 1.8 billion, for support of the efforts of the Member States in the fields of asylum, migration and integration, and internal security.

The financial allocations for Bulgaria under the AMIF are EUR 10 006 777. According to data issued by the Bulgarian State Agency for refugees, 11 081 people sought international protection in Bulgaria in 2014, and 2 117 people sought international protection in the first two months of 2015 alone, making the country one of the Member States with a steady asylum influx. Yet countries with a significantly lower influx of people seeking international protection were allocated the same or similar financial support under the AMIF.

Does the Commission take into account as relevant criteria in the decision-making process regarding the financial allocations under the AMIF and the ISF the Member States' asylum system workload, the number of people seeking international protection in comparison with population size and density, and the need for better proportionality, responsibility-sharing and solidarity between the Member States?

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