Question for written answer E-005857/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 Notis Marias (ECR)

Subject: Water supply problem at the 'Haravgi' Roma settlement in Chalcidice

Children's rights to enjoy the highest possible level of health, basic healthcare services, nutritious food and clean potable water, regardless of their race, colour, gender and language, are self-evident and have been secured in Greece since 1992, when the International Convention on the Rights of the Child was ratified by Law 2101.

The same rights are also secured by the European Union's primary and secondary law.

In Chalcidice, the extent to which these rights are secured for the children of the vulnerable Roma group is questionable. At the 'Haravgi' settlement, they are exposed on a daily basis to immediate dangers for their health, since they lack the cheapest public commodity, namely water; this is due to the fact that the region is facing a serious water supply problem.

In view of the above, will the Commission say what measures it may take, in cooperation with Greek authorities, in order to solve the water supply problem at the 'Haravgi' Roma settlement in Chalcidice, as well as to deal with the wider water supply problem faced by the region.

1057650.EN PE 555.782