

**Question for written answer E-007196/2015
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Earthquake in Nepal

On 25 April, Nepal was struck by a major earthquake measuring 7.8 on the Richter scale. In the following days, around fifty aftershocks occurred. According to some sources, the earthquake caused the death of over 5 000 people and much infrastructure was destroyed, both in the capital Kathmandu and in remote villages. It is also estimated that the earthquake has left almost 500 000 people homeless.

1. Could the Commission provide details of the emergency measures that have been taken to help the Nepalese people?
2. Does the Commission envisage providing long-term aid?
3. If so, what measures might be taken to support the rebuilding of the country?