Question for written answer E-009588/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 Hugues Bayet (S&D)

Subject: Problem of Syrian refugees

In its annual report on the human rights situation throughout the world, Amnesty International has highlighted the problems inherent in the European management of the Syrian refugee crisis.

In its report, Amnesty International noted that, with very few exceptions, the measures implemented by the Union and its Member States have focussed on keeping refugees outside of the borders of the Union as a priority. Of the four million Syrian refugees, only around 150 000 live within the Union, which is roughly the same amount of refugees that arrived in Turkey in one week when Islamic State laid siege to the town of Kobane.

What measures has the Commission implemented to manage the Syrian refugee crisis and to provide assistance to the countries in the region that have received a large number of refugees (Turkey, Lebanon and Jordan)?

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