

**Question for written answer E-010844/2015
to the Council**
Rule 130
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Subject: Support for migrant-reception centres

At the latest Council meeting (25 and 26 June), during the debate on migration, it was decided that reception facilities would be created in the Member States. These would have the active support of the Member States, of the European Asylum Support Office, Frontex and Europol (item 4(c)), and financial assistance to the traditional host countries would be stepped up (item 4(d)).

I was able to see the precarious conditions in which the migrants find themselves on a recent visit to the preliminary reception centres in Pozzallo (Sicily) and Lampedusa. In addition to their almost total isolation, many of them only have access to one change of clothes for several days, the food is low in nutritional value, they are sleeping on mattresses, and they are generally living in insalubrious conditions. Moreover, there are few social and health specialists, who are essential to ensure decent humanitarian aid for the migrants.

Can the Council please state:

- How many reception centres will be created and in which countries? What sums will be allocated to the new centres and to supporting the host countries, such as Italy and Greece?
- What role is being played by elements of Frontex and Europol in the migrant-reception centres?