Question for written answer E-011172/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 Hugues Bayet (S&D)

Subject: Education for children in countries in conflict

UNESCO's latest Global Monitoring Report on Education for All (EFA) criticises the lack of resources earmarked for education in countries in conflict, where nearly 34 million children and teenagers are being denied access to education. According to the Director-General of UNESCO, education can bring hope and a feeling of normality to children living in conflict zones.

The report outlines the steps required to overcome the obstacles to securing an education. It also states that USD 2.3 billion would be needed to achieve this goal, an amount 10 times greater than the total volume of humanitarian aid allocated to the education sector. The report also points out that the amount spent on education in conflict zones has yet to reach the figure of 4% of humanitarian aid set in 2010.

- 1. Is the Commission aware of this report?
- 2. What is it doing to improve the precarious situation of children and teenagers in countries in crisis who are being denied access to education?

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