Question for written answer E-015288/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 José Blanco López (S&D)

Subject: World AIDS Day - Assessment of the Commission's action, and new measures

World AIDS Day is held on 1 December each year and promoted by the UN to reflect, raise awareness of AIDS and take action. According to the latest UNAIDS report, 36.9 million people in the world are living with HIV today and 1.2 million have died from AIDS-related illnesses.

UNAIDS identifies 35 countries – which together account for 90 % of new infections – where a rapid response needs to be adopted in order to avert 21 million deaths and 28 million new infections (5.9 million in children) by 2030.

Goals for 2020 include the 90-90-90 targets, which seek to ensure that 90 % of people with HIV know their serological status, 90 % of those who know they have HIV are being treated and 90 % of those being treated have suppressed viral loads.

We are closer than ever to being able to control infection effectively in the next five years if governments and international organisations take the right action to meet these priorities, needs and challenges.

What is the Commission's assessment of its work in this field and what new measures does it plan to introduce in light of these new challenges?

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