Question for written answer E-000646/2016 to the Commission Rule 130 Marie-Christine Arnautu (ENF)

Subject: Situation in Calais

In Calais (the *département* of Pas-de-Calais, France), a wasteland dubbed the 'Calais Jungle' is being occupied, totally illegally, by 5 000 illegal migrants waiting to cross the Channel to get to the UK.

Following the strengthening of border controls by the United Kingdom on the one hand, and the encouragement to migrate by most governments of a European Union with its uncontrolled borders, on the other, the number of 'illegals' in Calais has been steadily growing. Despite the adoption of additional control measures, which are, however, quite inadequate (strengthening law enforcement, fences around the port areas) by the French authorities, these migrants are trying day after day and by every possible means to stow away on some form of transport that will get them into the UK.

On Saturday, 23 January a new step was taken, since the 'illegals', having broken through the protective barriers, invaded a ferry, bringing the port to a complete standstill for several hours.

Given this state of affairs, will the Commission say what measures it intends to take to ensure that the migration situation in Europe ceases to endanger transport workers and their customers within the European Union?