

**Question for written answer E-000965/2016  
to the Commission**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: EU-Turkey action plan on Migration

The EU and Turkey signed a joint action plan on migration in November 2015. Turkey committed to curbing the migration flow, while the EU committed to providing EUR 3 billion that would be used to improve refugee facilities and rights in Turkey as well as visa liberalisation and acceleration of the accession negotiations.

According to Amnesty International, the Turkish authorities have started to detain and deport refugees, and the report also suggests that the EU is letting pre-accession funds be used for this purpose.

1. Why is the Commission allowing EU pre-accession funds to be used in those detention centres for unlawful deportation?
2. Is the Commission aware that the action plan on migration caused a shift in Turkey's policies and has led to human rights violations in detention centres and to the forced deportation of refugees to conflict zones?
3. Can the Commission confirm that the six EU-funded open reception centres outlined in the action plan will actually be detention centres?