

**Question for written answer E-003425/2016
to the Commission**

Rule 130

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Subject: Nutrition of refugee children on the island of Chios (Greece)

According to an article published in *The Guardian* on 20 April 2016, under the terms of the EU-Turkey deal on migration around 6 000 migrants and refugees are currently being detained in centres on Greek islands such as Chios and Lesbos, and, in particular , with regard to Chios refugees and NGOs in the field have alleged that some 25 babies aged under six months whose mothers are unable to breastfeed are being given roughly 100 ml of powdered milk just once a day, in other words just one quarter of the recommended daily intake.

1. Is the Commission aware of the terrible conditions being experienced by refugees, and in particular children, on Chios?
2. Is the Commission aware that should this information be confirmed it will be the case that the treatment of refugees, and in particular of children, on Chios does not comply with the reception directive (Directive 2013/33/EU) or with international law?
3. What will the Commission do to ensure that adequate nutrition and assistance are provided to refugees, especially women and their children, on a basis of full respect for their fundamental rights?