Question for written answer E-006706/2016 to the Commission Rule 130 Edouard Ferrand (ENF)

Subject: The migration bomb

The editorial of Le Figaro of Friday, 2 September entitled 'the migration bomb' illustrates with clarity and perceptiveness the social, economic and security catastrophe towards which European countries in general and France in particular are heading.

As Le Figaro points out, in the first half of 2016, the number of asylum seekers in France rose by 18% while expulsions of illegal immigrants fell by 20%, urban centres are overwhelmed by a constant and growing influx of migrants, while every night, hundreds of illegal migrants of all origins cross the border from Italy.

In this alarming context, Schengen has long since shown its limitations and FRONTEX has rapidly become transformed into an agency for the reception and relocation of illegal immigrants.

Does the Commission intend to review its policies on asylum (Article 67(2) and Article 78 TFEU, and Article 18 of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union), immigration (Articles 79 and 80 TFEU) and the management of external borders (Article 77 TFEU) to adapt them to the real-life situation?

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