

**Question for written answer E-006854/2016**  
**to the Commission**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: EU aid to Moldova: money down the drain

Since 2007, the EU has supplied more than EUR 780 million in aid to Moldova with the aim of reforming the public administration, which has had virtually no impact. This is revealed by a report by the Court of Auditors in Luxembourg, which, as the guardian of the EU's finances, observes that the European Commission ought to attach more conditions and requirements to funding.

1. Will the Commission cease to provide financial support to Moldova, as the Court of Auditors' report<sup>1</sup> indicates that more than EUR 780 million of tax revenue has had virtually no impact and that the Moldovans have absolutely no political will to change anything?
2. Does the Commission consider it surprising that providing financial support to Moldova, a country that is scoring worse each year, currently 3.3, on the Corruption Index of Transparency International<sup>2</sup>, has had virtually no impact and will have virtually none in future?
3. When will the Commission have had enough and when will it cease to hand out taxpayers' money to corrupt countries which act in bad faith?

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<sup>1</sup> <http://www.volkskrant.nl/buitenland/-eu-steun-aan-moldavie-blijkt-weggegooid-geld~a4368388/>

<sup>2</sup> <http://www.transparency.org/cpi2015#results-table>