Question for written answer E-008195/2016 to the Commission Rule 130 Doru-Claudian Frunzulică (S&D)

Subject: Displaced persons in Babille and Kubi districts (Ethiopia)

Some 5 100 internally displaced families in the Babille and Kubi districts (woredas) of the Somali region in Ethiopia are in need of urgent humanitarian assistance. According to a recent multisectoral assessment, it seems that their priority needs include some 650 tonnes of food per month for the next four months, as well as supplementary food items for children and pregnant and lactating mothers, clean water, and emergency shelter and non-food items. This new displacement is the result of a resource-based conflict that started in June/July 2015 in the East and West Hararge zones of Ethiopia's Oromia region.

Is the Commission considering contributing to the provision of humanitarian assistance, in the context of the restrictions stipulated under Ethiopia's current state of emergency (limitations on movement, designated 'red zones' and restricted freedom of assembly)?