

**Question for written answer E-001773/2017
to the Commission**

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Subject: Halting funding and accession negotiations with Turkey

Over the past few days, leading European newspapers have reported on the continuous clashes between the Turkish Government and various EU Member States, in particular the Netherlands. President Erdogan has repeatedly threatened European governments, sometimes expressing himself in harsh and alarming terms.

Given that Europe has hitherto earmarked some EUR 10 billion for Turkey in order to encourage its entry into the EU and that it continues to have a special relationship with it, can the Commission explain:

- what its view of the situation is;
- whether it does not consider it advisable to immediately halt the funding and put an end to the accession negotiations once and for all?