Question for written answer E-004710/2017 to the Commission Rule 130 Doru-Claudian Frunzulică (S&D)

Subject: Cholera epidemic in Yemen

Cholera is the most recent epidemic to hit Yemen and must be considered a tragic consequence of the armed conflict and massacres that have beset the country. The nation reportedly sees around 7 000 new cases of cholera each day. Moreover, the World Health Organisation (WHO) estimates that children account for half these cases.

Given that overall Commission humanitarian funding for Yemen in 2017 stands at EUR 121.7 million, what concrete measures are being taken or are envisaged to tackle the problems that are creating the conditions for the spread of the disease, such as inadequate access to safe drinking water and poor sanitary conditions and hygiene practices, to which finding long-term solutions is of the utmost importance?

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