

**Question for written answer E-004714/2017
to the Commission**

Rule 130

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Subject: Flood-hit Sri Lanka

The United Nations and its humanitarian partners have recently appealed for more resources for flood-hit Sri Lanka, which last month witnessed the worst torrential rains since 2003, leaving over 200 people dead. The Disaster Management Centre (DMC) of Sri Lanka has stated that the adverse weather conditions also left 112 people injured and that nearly 600 000 people have been forced to flee their homes, with thousands suffering structural damage from inundations and landslides. It seems that access to the most remote communities has been cut off because roads and bridges were destroyed.

How is the Commission responding to the needs of those affected by the floods in Sri Lanka? Is it devoting particular attention to supporting the most vulnerable people in the affected communities?