Question for written answer E-005705/2017 to the Commission Rule 130 Doru-Claudian Frunzulică (S&D)

Subject: Cholera in Yemen - scaling up humanitarian funding

Since the end of April, Yemen has been ravaged by the most serious cholera outbreak in the world. About half a million suspected cases have been registered so far, and the death toll is estimated at 2 000 people. Although some areas have recorded a considerably slower spread compared to peak levels, the waterborne disease continues to spread at a rapid pace in the more recently affected districts, infecting a large number of people every day.

In response to this unprecedented cholera outbreak the Commission has boosted its humanitarian response with an additional EUR 5 million, bringing the total amount of EU aid for efforts targeting the disease to EUR 8.8 million.

Taking into account the increasing spread of the disease, is the Commission considering whether to scale up its humanitarian funding in this area?

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