

**Question for written answer E-001702/2019
to the Commission**

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Subject: Protests by refugees

Demonstrations by refugees and migrants at Diavata near Thessaloniki and Larissa railway station have been broken up by anti-riot police using tear gas at the orders of the otherwise 'progressive' SYRIZA government. They were demonstrating in support of their just demand to be allowed to go the countries that were their real destinations - a demand frustrated by the policy imposed by the EU and the SYRIZA government, with the substantive agreement of the other parties, to keep them isolated.

Refugees and migrants fall victim to gangs that exploit them with fake news. But the policy pursued by the EU and the SYRIZA government directed against ordinary working people together with the unacceptable EU-Turkey agreement and the Dublin III Regulation have created this incendiary situation - and that is anything but fake news. The SYRIZA government is evicting refugees whose status has been recognised from facilities and apartments, because the relevant EU funding scheme only funds the accommodation of asylum seekers.

In the light of the above, will the Commission say how it views:

1. the violent suppression of refugees and migrants by the SYRIZA government and their justified demand to be transferred forthwith to the countries that were their real destinations, which is what they are demonstrating for?
2. the urgent need to create humane conditions of temporary accommodation for as long as they remain in Greece and for measures to be taken to support and socially integrate those refugees who wish to remain in Greece?