

**Question for written answer E-002326/2019
to the Commission**
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Subject: Ebola outbreak in the Democratic Republic of Congo

In August 2018, an outbreak of Ebola occurred in the Democratic Republic of Congo. In the 11 months since, the disease has claimed the lives of more than 1600 people.

The World Health Organization (WHO) Emergency Committee recently declared that the outbreak of the Ebola virus in the Democratic Republic of Congo is now a 'global public health emergency'. In that statement, the WHO emphasises that, in spite of the recommendations made to date concerning the need for more resources, the international community is still not providing sufficient technical assistance or human or financial resources on a sustained basis.

In June 2019, the Commission announced that it was making EUR 3.5 million available in response to the Ebola outbreak – EUR 2.5 million for Uganda and EUR 1 million for South Sudan.

Given the WHO's declaration of a global public health emergency, and given the need for more human, financial and technical resources, how and when does the Commission intend to respond to this new situation?

What additional resources does it intend to make available in response to the warning issued by the WHO?