

**Question for written answer P-000231/2017  
to the Commission**

Rule 130

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Subject: Conditions in refugee camps in Greece

Winter has led to worsening living conditions in the overcrowded refugee camps in Greece and along the border between Serbia and Hungary. We are being confronted with shocking pictures and testimonies of thousands of people enduring freezing temperatures without adequate protection. This situation has been condemned by a large number of international organisations including the UN, Amnesty International and Médecins sans Frontières. There are refugees dying of cold in Europe.

Does the Commission not believe that, rather than expecting the Greek government to shoulder all the responsibility, priority should be given to demanding solidarity from the Member States and speeding up the process of resettling refugees and asylum seekers as a matter of urgency?

What practical steps is the Commission taking in relation to the Member States and the European Council?

What stage has been reached on developing legal instruments for asylum seekers?