

**Question for written answer P-003087/2018
to the Commission**
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Subject: Ebola outbreak

In May 2018 the Commission announced an urgent humanitarian aid package to help contain the outbreak of Ebola in the Democratic Republic of Congo. In addition to ECHO Flight services, an initial sum of EUR 1.5 million has been earmarked to provide logistic support to the World Health Organization (WHO), and a further sum of EUR 130 000 has been offered to the International Federation of the Red Cross for life-saving interventions by the Congolese Red Cross.

Considering that the WHO has announced the deployment of an experimental Ebola vaccine requiring cold chain storage to ensure effectiveness, it seems that meeting logistic challenges is an ongoing daily struggle. It also seems that a substantial quantity of vaccines may be wasted owing to poor conditions and inadequate storage.

Does the Commission intend to take measures to optimise healthcare supply chains in order to ensure effective logistic support?