**Jussi Halla-aho (ECR).** – Mr President, the global compact unfortunately keeps repeating old mistakes. It stresses the management of immigration, for example by distributing migrants more evenly or by creating new legal avenues for migrants in the hope that this would discourage illegal entry.

The real problem however, is the sheer number of people who are coming, or who want to come, from the third world. Europe cannot integrate them, regardless of whether they are legal or illegal. Therefore, the numbers should be brought down with a stricter asylum legislation and a more efficient return policy.

It is true that Europe is ageing and that the funding of welfare states presents a challenge. It should be understood, however, that immigration of this kind does not alleviate the problem, but makes it worse. In addition, it creates new problems.