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Subcommittee on Human Rights

Committee on Development

Hearing on emergency/ humanitarian aid

Wednesday 21 March 2018
14.30 - 16.30
Room: Altiero Spinelli (ASP) 3E-2
European Parliament, Brussels

Draft Programme

Opening remarks:

Pier Antonio Panzeri, Chair of the Subcommittee on Human Rights (DROI)

Christian Preda, Moderator, Member of the Committee on Development (DEVE)

Panel I: Meeting the humanitarian needs of affected populations in conflict areas

Keynote speech on humanitarian needs in conflict areas

Christos Stylianides, EU Commissioner for Humanitarian Aid and Crisis Management

Responding to healthcare needs in emergencies and boosting sustainable development

Dr Gino Strada, Founder and Executive Director of the NGO “Emergency”

Debate

Panel II: Challenges in ensuring respect for International Humanitarian Law (IHL)

International initiatives to strengthen compliance with IHL

Stéphane Kolanowski, Senior Legal Advisor, International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC)

Practical consequences of working in an environment of disrespect for IHL - the case of the Central African Republic (CAR)

Thierry Vircoulon, Co-author of the study “The Humanitarian System in the CAR: A Time of Challenges”, commissioned by the Mercy Corps and the Coordination Committee for NGOs in the CAR

Debate

Concluding remarks by the Chair of the Subcommittee and the Moderator

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