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to the Commission**

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Subject: Humanitarian aid for Ukraine

Ukraine is facing rapid inflation, the devaluation of its national currency and a severe energy crisis. The price of utilities has been rapidly increasing and they are no longer affordable for a large percentage of the Ukrainian population. The situation has been further aggravated by the internal displacement of several hundred people. Some of these people have no steady income or appropriate housing, and their access to social and medical assistance is being hindered by corruption and bureaucracy. In some parts of eastern Ukraine, communal infrastructure has been destroyed during the course of the armed conflict. There are compelling reasons to expect a serious shortage of food, particularly at affordable prices, in Ukraine over the coming months.

Taking into account the humanitarian crisis in Ukraine, and Parliament's endorsement of the EU-Ukraine Association Agreement on 16 September 2014, could the Commission please answer the following questions:

1. What concrete measures has the Commission taken so far to address the humanitarian crisis in Ukraine? What other measures will be taken over the next two to three months?
2. How is the Commission executing control over the use and distribution of humanitarian aid, considering the overall weakness of the Ukrainian State administration?