Question for written answer E-007788/2016 to the Commission Rule 130 Marie-Christine Vergiat (GUE/NGL)

Subject: Dismantling the Calais camp

On 13 July 2016, a delegation from the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs visited the migrant camp in Calais. On 25 September, the French Government announced that the camp would be completely dismantled, starting on Monday, 17 October.

The government, in cooperation with relevant organisations, was supposed to carry out an assessment of the personal situation of each migrant, but nothing has been done to that end.

The official structures in place (the Jules Ferry centre and the temporary reception centre) are also due to be closed, but those in charge have not received any information. The Jules Ferry centre takes in 2 000 vulnerable people during the day, and 400 women and children at night, and at the temporary reception centre there are 2 000 people, including 500 asylum seekers.

EU asylum, migration and integration funding was provided to set up and operate the two centres.

France Terre d'Asile, a migrant support association, reports that there are 1 200 unaccompanied minors on the site.

Has the Commission been informed of the closure of the site?

Is the Commission intending to check that EU funding has been used as intended, i.e. to protect vulnerable people, and minors in particular?

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