

**Question for written answer E-002745/2019
to the Commission**

Rule 138

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Subject: Samos hotspot

On Samos in Greece, an initial reception centre for migrants has become an overcrowded prison in which thousands of people, including a great many children, are trapped.

The non-profit organisation Still I Rise, founded by Nicolò Govoni, is trying to restore the right to education, protection and safety to children and young people on Samos.

There are around 3 400 people in the hotspot, including a thousand children, whereas the facility was built to accommodate 650. Depending on the numbers of migrants arriving, there have been peak times when 5 000 people were there. The entire facility is staffed by two doctors, and there are not enough toilets.

On 11 June, Still I Rise filed a complaint with the Samos Public Prosecutor's Office about the management of the island's Reception and Identification Centre, condemning violations of the human rights of unaccompanied minors living in the camp¹.

Will the Commission without delay, and at frequent intervals, monitor the management of the hotspots?

Will the Commission check whether the principles laid down in the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union are being complied with in the hotspots, and what action will it take, with due regard for the principle of subsidiarity, to solve the problems reported by the non-profit organisation?

¹ <https://www.ilfattoquotidiano.it/2019/01/20/tra-lindia-e-la-grecia-la-missione-di-nicolo-per-i-diritti-dei-bambini/4906286/>

