Question for written answer E-000488/2020 to the Commission Rule 138 Lukas Mandl (PPE)

Subject: Support for the civilian-led transition in the Republic of the Sudan

On 19 December 2018, protests began against Sudan's long-time President Omar al-Bashir, who had been in power for nearly 30 years. After several months of protests, the regime was finally overthrown in April 2019. However, the Sudanese people continued to demonstrate for a civilian-led transition until the Forces of Freedom and Change and the Transitional Military Council signed the July 2019 political agreement and the August 2019 draft constitutional declaration. Against this background, I would like to ask the following questions:

- 1. How does the European Union plan to assist the Republic of the Sudan politically and financially in carrying out a peaceful transition of power that will ensure citizens are given a say in the country's future?
- 2. How does the Commission support political, economic and judicial reforms in the Republic of the Sudan?
- 3. What can the EU do to support Eritrean refugees in the Republic of the Sudan, especially in the vicinity of the border crossings at Humera and Metemma and the Shagarab refugee camp?