Question for written answer E-004666/2020 to the Commission Rule 138 Jean-Paul Garraud (ID)

Subject: EU-Turkey migration agreement

A key feature of the 2016 EU-Ankara migration agreement was the payment of EUR 6 billion by the EU to help migrants and refugees in Turkey.

Recently, Turkey's President accused the EU of having paid only half the amount promised. In fact, the EU has paid Turkey EUR 4.7 billion ¹ and, as is done with the cohesion policy, will pay the remainder once Turkey has made good on its commitments.

Despite the outrage caused by the actions of President Erdoğan, who, in a few short days, managed to orchestrate a crisis at the border with Greece, countries such as Germany are prepared to pay more and more money to Turkey, in spite of the disagreements between EU Member States.

The Commission estimates that, by the end of 2020, it will have paid a total of EUR 6 billion in the context of approved or pre-approved programmes and investments in Turkey.

- 1. Once the entire amount has been paid, what policies will the EU suggest Member States adopt to deal with the threat of mass immigration from Turkey?
- 2. In the Commission's view, is Turkey complying with the 2016 agreement, despite allowing thousands of migrants to come to Europe?

¹ http://www.bruxelles2.eu/2020/03/ou-sont-passes-les-six-milliards-promis-par-leurope-a-la-turquie/