

**Question for written answer E-005589/2020
to the Commission**
Rule 138
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Subject: Pikpa refugee camp under the threat of closure

Pikpa camp is an independent, open refugee camp for asylum seekers in Mytilene, Lesbos, Greece. It is a community-based space built on the principles of solidarity, empowerment and active participation. Since 2012, more than 30 000 people have stayed at the camp. However, it is currently under the threat of closure by the Greek authorities. More than 160 Greek and international organisations, academics and other actors from all over Europe have called on the Greek authorities not to close this dignified alternative to other camps such as Moria.

1. Will the Commission add its voice to this call?
2. More generally, will it do all it can to replicate the Pikpa model in other so-called hotspots around Europe, rather than watch them close?