

**Question for written answer E-005847/2020  
to the Commission**

Rule 138

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Subject: Illegal visit of Turkish Vice-President to Varosha

Turkey has again acted illegally and provoked Cyprus and the rightful inhabitants of Varosha by opening up the fenced-off city. On Saturday 24 October 2020, Turkish Vice-President Fuat Oktay visited the occupied territories and illegally entered the city of Varosha.

In a statement, he said that it is not right to hand over a place like Varosha, which will determine the future and will achieve economic growth, to rats, adding that 'we are going all the way on the issue of Varosha'.

Oktay's actions constitute a violation of United Nations Security Council resolutions, including Resolution 550 (1984) and Resolution 789 (1992). At the same time, it energises efforts to resume talks on resolving the Cyprus issue.

In view of the above:

1. How does the Commission view these provocations by Turkey?
2. What measures and actions will it take against Turkey, which continues to receive pre-accession assistance as a candidate country?