

**Question for written answer E-003936/2022
to the Commission**

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Subject: Turkish airstrikes and bombings in northern and eastern Syria, and destruction of civilian infrastructure

On 19 November 2022 and the days after, a number of Kurdish cities in northern and eastern Syria and in northern Iraq were hit by airstrikes launched by the Turkish army. Many people were killed or wounded. The bombs were primarily aimed at civilian infrastructure and service facilities. According to local sources and reports, two hospitals, as well as health centres, schools, cereal silos, electricity plants, gas plants, oil pumps, oil processing plants, fuel stations and water supply facilities have been destroyed. The Autonomous Administration of Northern and Eastern Syria now needs international help to rebuild.

1. Is the Commission aware of the exact extent of the damage? How will it support the efforts to rebuild?
2. Could funding earmarked for the reconstruction of Syria be made available to this end?

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