

**Question for written answer E-002673/2023/rev.1  
to the Commission**

Rule 138

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Subject: Support of the Italian State following the increase in migratory pressure on the Italian coast

According to the latest study by the European Border and Coast Guard Agency (Frontex) of 14 September 2023, there were 232 500 irregular border crossings into the EU in the first eight months of this year alone, an increase of 18 % compared to last year.

The busiest migratory route appears to be the central Mediterranean one, with the main destination being southern Italy, which has seen half of all arrivals to the EU and 96 % more than in 2022.

In the light of the above:

1. Does the Commission not think that Italy has been left to cope by itself with this increased migratory pressure?
2. Will the Commission support Italy by requiring that other Member States help it to manage this situation?

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