

**Question for written answer E-001533/2025/rev.1
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Cases of childhood malnutrition in Samos

According to recent data released by the organisation Doctors Without Borders, six children, aged between six months and six years, presented severe symptoms of acute malnutrition in the Samos Closed Controlled Access Centre (CCAC)¹. The report highlights the significant deficiencies in paediatric care within the facility, as well as the lack of appropriate nutritional support.

In addition, although the facility is funded by the European Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund, the planned financial assistance to asylum seekers has been on hold since May 2024, due to problems in the management of the relevant funding by the Ministry of Migration and Asylum. This interruption has left many families unable to meet basic food and hygiene needs for their children.

In the light of the above, can the Commission answer the following:

1. Does it intend to help national services to place emergency measures to strengthen health and nutrition services in order to protect the children residing in the Samos CCAC?
2. Does it intend to launch an investigation to determine whether European funds are being used properly, in order to ensure – as provided for by the European Pact on Migration – a dignified standard of living and the unhindered coverage of the basic nutrition and hygiene needs of asylum seekers?

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¹ <https://msf.gr/samos-prota-diagnosmena-krousмата-paidikou-ypositismou/>