Question for written answer E-001648/2025/rev.1
to the Commission
Rule 144
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Subject: Human rights violation in the Italian detention and repatriation centre in Albania

In April, we inspected the Italian detention and repatriation centre in Gjadër, Albania, to verify the conditions of the migrants held there.

We witnessed and heard directly the following:

People are randomly taken by the Italian authorities, handcuffed without justification and transferred to Albania without explanation.

There is a lack of independent medical support on-site. The healthcare personnel are provided by the managing entity and cannot assess whether individuals are fit for detention. That assessment depends on a commission in Rome, which arbitrarily decides whether detainees are examined on-site or remotely.

During the sea crossing, migrants remain in restraint and, upon arrival, they are held in conditions that cause psychological distress. They are only allowed one five minute phone call per day. For the first days most had not yet had contact with a lawyer.

The ‘critical incidents’ report lists 22 episodes in just one week caused by anxiety, self-harm and suicide attempts linked to addiction to psychiatric medication.

Given that the Commission has referred to this centre as part of ‘innovative solutions’ for migration management, we ask:

1. whether it intends to carry out an inspection of the centre;

2. whether it considers that these practices violate the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the EU.

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