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**COMMUNICATION FROM THE COMMISSION TO THE EUROPEAN
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Progress report on the Implementation of the European Agenda on Migration

ANNEX 2 - Facility for Refugees in Turkey

From an operational perspective, the full Facility envelope - EUR 3 billion - was committed and operationally contracted¹ at the end of 2017 through 72 projects. For all these contracts², implementation is underway. Disbursements reached more than EUR 1.85 billion, or 62% of the total envelope, with the balance to be paid in the course of implementation of Facility projects, and final payments made no later than by the end of 2021. More details can be obtained from the online projects table³ and the Second Annual Report on the Facility for Refugees in Turkey adopted on 13 March 2018⁴.

Humanitarian assistance⁵

Contracts signed at the end of 2017 included a continuation of the Emergency Social Safety Net and the Conditional Cash Transfer for Education projects as well as projects focusing on non-formal education and on the protection needs of vulnerable refugees. Main achievements so far:

- Under the Emergency Social Safety Net, almost 1.2 million refugees benefited from monthly cash-transfers through the programme in February 2018. The Conditional Cash Transfer for Education is now benefitting the families of over 260 000 refugee children who all attend school on a regular basis.
- The Emergency Social Safety Net and Conditional Cash Transfer for Education are complemented by other projects focusing on the areas of health, education, shelter, providing basic needs, and ensuring protection of vulnerable refugees. In all 45 humanitarian projects have been agreed under the Facility.

Non-humanitarian assistance

Contracts signed at the end of 2017 focused on long-term livelihoods, and social and economic cohesion. They support the employability and labour market integration (vocational training, Turkish classes, entrepreneurship, etc.) and pay particular attention to vulnerable groups, including non-Syrian refugees, asylum seekers and host communities. Ongoing Facility-funded activities have had a significant impact on the ground:

- Under the direct grant with the Ministry of Health, 12 migrant health centres are now operational and help improve primary healthcare services. 813 staff are employed in these centres and in the 86 other centres already established. Refugees have benefitted from 763,963 primary health care consultations and 217,511 Syrian refugee infants were fully vaccinated⁶. In addition, implementation of two hospitals in Kilis and Hatay has started, with a capacity of 300 and 250 beds respectively.
- Under the direct grant with the Ministry of National Education, 312,151 children have

¹ In line with the Financial Regulation, administrative expenditure and technical support, as well as monitoring, evaluation and audit, may be contracted beyond 2017.

² For one project the countersignature is still pending.

³ https://ec.europa.eu/neighbourhood-enlargement/news_corner/migration_en

⁴ COM(2018) 91/3 final of 13.03.2018.

⁵ The provision of humanitarian assistance under the Facility continues to be implemented in line with EU humanitarian aid law and according to the principles laid down in the European Consensus on Humanitarian Aid.

⁶ As of 31 October 2017.

received Turkish language training by 5,486 Turkish language teachers employed thanks to the Facility. The distribution of stationery and course books for 500,000 students and the construction of 175 schools have started.

The EU-Turkey Statement of March 2016 stipulates that "once these resources are about to be used to the full", the EU would "mobilise additional funding ... of an additional 3 billion euro up to the end of 2018". The EU is now preparing for the next tranche of EUR 3 billion. To avoid any gaps in Facility funding, the first contracts under the next tranche would need to be signed over the summer of 2018.