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Subject: Situation in northern Mozambique

Mozambique has found itself abandoned in the face of the wave of violent Islamic extremism in the north of the country. The relentless violence that has plagued the country for several years has been growing by the week, both in terms of frequency and barbarism. And with it, the humanitarian crisis has taken on catastrophic proportions.

The European Parliament has already condemned the violence and the worsening humanitarian situation, while the Union, the Member States and the international community seemingly sit back and watch.

We therefore ask:

1. How is the EU getting involved, or what initiatives is it taking, to help the Mozambican authorities tackle the problem?
2. What aid exactly has been made available to date?
3. To what extent has the EU sought to exert influence over regional organisations such as the African Union and the Southern African Development Community to encourage a common strategy to tackle what is increasingly becoming a threat to the region?