

International protection: provisional measures for the benefit of Sweden

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The Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs adopted the report by Ska KELLER (Greens/EFA) on the proposal for a Council decision establishing provisional measures in the area of international protection for the benefit of Sweden in accordance with Article 9 of Council Decision (EU) 2015/1523 and Article 9 of Council Decision (EU) 2015/1601 establishing provisional measures in the area of international protection for the benefit of Italy and Greece.

The committee approved the Commission proposal subject to amendments.

Members stipulated in the recitals:

- that Sweden formally requested the suspension of its obligations under [Council Decisions \(EU\) 2015/1523](#) and [\(EU\) 2015/1601](#), having to **face both challenges** of being a country of first arrival and final destination;
- that in March 2016, Sweden had received a total of **170 104 applicants**, of which 73 331 were children, including **36 181 unaccompanied minors** who have special needs and require additional resources in order to provide access to health care, dignified accommodation and education according to Union asylum rules.