

**Opinion of the Romanian Chamber of Deputies on the
Communication from The Commission to The European Parliament and The Council on
the EU's humanitarian action: new challenges, same principles**

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The Chamber of Deputies:

Recommends stepping up efforts to support increased resilience to disasters, so as to reduce the need for international humanitarian assistance and to assess the impact of support provided by the Team Europe package on emergency response and humanitarian needs, as well as the involvement of relevant organizations that are acting at a local level in the European Union.

Emphasizes that effective child protection and education in emergencies and separated from their families requires efforts to ensure a comprehensive psychosocial climate that meets the specific needs of their respective age, as well as the need to address education as a horizontal priority and as a tool for integrated approach to humanitarian, development and peacekeeping areas.

Proposes to encourage non-formal education in the areas belonging to both the humanitarian and development assistance, in order to reduce the deficit of professional training.

Considers it essential for the European Union to work closely with actors in the area of development and peacebuilding to promote long-term solutions, taking into account the growing challenges posed by recurrent state conflicts.

Supports the position that International humanitarian law (IHL) should be regarded as a cross-cutting priority and it should be pursued systematically in the Union's contacts with external actors. It also recommends updating the "Safe Schools Declaration".