

**Question for written answer E-005328/2013/rev.1
to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative)
Rule 117
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Subject: VP/HR - Marwan Barghouti in Israeli prisons

Marwan Barghouti, the 53 year-old Palestinian political leader who was also a member of parliament, has been detained in Israeli prisons since 2002 when he was abducted from the West Bank. Barghouti is the most popular of all the Palestinian politicians, amongst all the political groups, as he never stopped fighting for unity, sovereignty and freedom in Palestine.

Does the EU know of this important figure who unites Palestinians? What actions has the Vice-President/High Representative taken to urge Israel to free Marwan Barghouti, a leader who is accepted by all and who can actually help in uniting all Palestinians and encourage talks between Palestine and Israel?