Question for written answer E-008155/2014 to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative) Rule 130 Bart Staes (Verts/ALE)

Subject: VP/HR - European response to illegal destruction of European aid by the Israeli army in

the Palestinian Territories

On 29 September 2014 the Israeli army illegally destroyed an electricity network in the Palestinian Territories that had been constructed with Belgian aid. It had provided 250 Palestinians with essential electricity. This is the latest in a long list of European development projects in the Palestinian Territories to be illegally destroyed by the occupying Israeli forces.

- 1. Is there a common European approach to preventing the destruction by the Israeli army in the Palestinian Territories of goods purchased with European aid (from the Member States and from the European budget)? If so, could the Vice-President / High Representative please explain this approach? If not, could she please specify what measures she proposes to take in this connection, her expectations and the scheduled timetable for achieving the initial results?
- 2. Is there a common European approach to claiming compensation from the State of Israel for damage caused by the Israeli army in the Palestinian Territories to goods purchased with European aid? If so, could the Commission please explain this common European approach? If not, could she please specify what measures she proposes to take in this connection, her expectations and the scheduled timetable for achieving the initial results?

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