

**Question for written answer E-008204/2014
to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative)**
Rule 130
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Subject: VP/HR - Islamic State in Gaza

On 8 October 2014, the Israeli publication *Haaretz* reported that a French cultural centre in the Gaza Strip had been attacked by a group claiming to be 'Islamic State in Gaza'. However, there is some speculation as to who the actual perpetrators were, although those who carried out the attack described the building as a 'centre of moral corruption'. Statements issued on behalf of Islamic State in Gaza have discussed its desired goal of 'implement[ing] Sharia law in Islamic lands and murder[ing] the children of Zion'.

1. Does the Vice-President / High Representative believe that hard-line Islamic groups, which are sympathetic to Islamic State, represent a threat to EU interests inside the Gaza Strip?
2. If so, what does she believe needs to be done to counter this problem?