

**Question for written answer E-001666/2015
to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative)
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Subject: VP/HR - Situation of Rohingya minority in Myanmar/Burma

The United Nations General Assembly adopted a resolution on Monday, 29 December 2014 that urges Myanmar to grant its Rohingya minority full citizenship and equal access to services.

Parliament, in its resolution of 13 June 2013 on the situation of Rohingya Muslims, reiterated the conditionality of the EU's Generalised System of Preferences as regards respect for fundamental freedoms and human rights.

The EU is one of the largest aid donors to the Myanmar Government and will provide EUR 688 million in grants from 2014 to 2020 to support sustainable development and poverty reduction 'for the benefit of all people in Myanmar'¹.

Given the commitment of the EU and Myanmar to further strengthen their relationship in the field of human rights, as stated during the first bilateral Human Rights Dialogue of 20 May 2014, what actions are the External Action Service and its delegation in Myanmar taking to secure the acknowledgment by the Myanmar Government of the situation of the Rohingya people?

Will the Vice-President / High Representative make a public statement expressing her concern about the persecution of Rohingya ethnic minority groups and the need to promote a comprehensive peace and reconciliation process in Myanmar/Burma?

¹ European External Action Service press release, Brussels, 8 December 2014.