Question for written answer E-002915/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 Enrico Gasbarra (S&D)

Subject: Response to the European Parliament resolution on blasphemy laws in Pakistan

At its meeting on 27 November 2014, the European Parliament, as part of a joint resolution on several cases of human rights violations in Pakistan, asked the Commission to act to 'provide sufficient protection to all those involved in blasphemy cases, for example by shielding judges from outside pressure, protecting the accused and their families and communities from mob violence and providing solutions for those who are acquitted but cannot go back to their places of origin'.

Three months after the adoption of the resolution, what steps has the Commission representation in Pakistan taken to verify whether Pakistan is respecting the commitments it undertook as part of SPG+ and to promote and defend human rights in the country, also with regard to the ways in which the blasphemy laws are used?

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