

**Question for written answer E-003112/2015**  
**to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative)**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: VP/HR - Links between the new king of Saudi Arabia and terrorism

Links between the new King of Saudi Arabia, Salman bin Abdulaziz, and jihadi terrorism are demonstrated by various sources:

- A convicted Al Qaeda member, Zacarias Moussaoui, stated that members of the Saudi royal family, including Salman, facilitated the funding of this terrorist organisation;
- According to former CIA agent Bruce Riedel, the king obtained funding for the Afghani Mujahideen in the eighties;
- In 1992 King Fahd entrusted Salman with the creation and management of the Saudi High Commission for Relief of Bosnia and Herzegovina, which ended up being used for preparation of the 9/11 attacks;
- Thanks to Pulitzer Prize winner Seymour Hersh, it is known, from information originating from the US National Security Agency, that the Saudi Government donated millions of dollars, through Salman, to bodies which sponsored organisations within the Al Qaeda network; this was confirmed in a CIA report.

Is the EEAS aware of this information?

Is the EEAS prepared to investigate these links?

Does the High Representative consider the Government of Saudi Arabia an ally in the fight against jihadi terrorism?