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Subject: Human rights and the treatment of women in the Indonesian police force

Article 26 of the Framework Agreement on Comprehensive Partnership and Cooperation between the European Community and its Member States and the Republic of Indonesia (COM(2013)0230), which came into force in 2014, lays down the two parties' obligations in the area of human rights.

Paragraph 2 states that cooperation will involve 'supporting the implementation of the Indonesian National Plan of Action of Human Rights'.

In spite of this, NGOs continue to identify human rights violations in Indonesia. Of particular concern are the selection procedures for and treatment of women being recruited to the police force: brutal methods are used to establish that they are virgins and they are forbidden to get married.

In a spirit of dialogue, as set out in paragraph 3 of the article referred to above, will the Commission:

- 1. provide information on the implementation of the Indonesian National Plan of Action of Human Rights?
- 2. explain how it will obtain detailed information on the rules governing the selection procedure for women seeking to join the Indonesian police force?

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