

**Question for written answer E-003864/2015
to the Commission**

Rule 130

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Subject: Human rights and EU-Colombia Trade Agreement

Article 1 of the EU-Colombia Trade Agreement states the following: 'Respect for democratic principles and fundamental human rights, as laid down in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and for the principle of the rule of law, underpins the internal and international policies of the Parties. Respect for these principles constitutes an essential element of this Agreement'.

If this principle is essential, can the Commission explain why it was not analysed in its annual report on the application of the Agreement?