

**Question for written answer E-006498/2015  
to the Commission**

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Subject: Anniversary of the abduction of 276 Nigerian girls by Boko Haram

It has been one year since 276 Nigerian girls were abducted by the organisation Boko Haram. Despite the international awareness that this terrible event raised, all the attempts to secure the release of the victims this year have failed.

On the contrary, throughout this time, Boko Haram has increased the number of its attacks and abductions, of which mostly children continue to be victims.

The international community needs to step up its action, within the confines of international law, to stop this escalation of violence in Nigeria and some of its neighbouring countries.

What measures has the EU taken this year with regard to this matter?

What will the EU do to help curb the insecurity in Nigeria caused by Boko Haram?