

Question for written answer E-007276/2015/rev.1
to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative)
Rule 130
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Subject: VP/HR - Release of women and girls abducted by Boko Haram

During the last week, we have received news of the release of hundreds of women and girls who had been abducted by the terrorist group Boko Haram, in Nigeria. For months, these women and girls were forced to endure continuous atrocities perpetrated by this terrorist group: they witnessed the murder of their families, they were systematically raped and they were sold into forced marriages. The crimes against humanity perpetrated by Boko Haram are too numerous to count. It is impossible to describe the horror and violence that they endured, and there is no way to heal their pain. What we are able to do, in fact what we are obliged to do, is to help them to rebuild their lives and reintegrate into society.

What specific measures has the Vice-President/High Representative taken, or is it planning to take in the near future, in Nigeria to help the women and girls who were victims of violence at the hands of the terrorist group Boko Haram?