

Question for written answer E-007278/2015/rev.1
to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative)
Rule 130
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Subject: VP/HR - Political situation in Libya

Libya's political collapse since the fall of dictator Muammar Gaddafi has brought complete chaos to the country and enabled terrorist groups to emerge and gain in strength. In addition, the political chaos has allowed people-trafficking gangs to be set up on the Libyan coast, just a short distance from the coast of Europe. Every day, these criminal groups demonstrate their absolute disregard for human life by putting the lives of thousands of immigrants trying to reach Europe in grave danger. According to some sources, around one million immigrants are waiting in Libya for their chance to travel to the EU. Without a stable and viable government that is capable of effectively controlling its territory, Libya will remain a source of great concern for the EU.

1. Does the Vice-President/High Representative believe that it will be possible in the near future to destroy Libya's people-trafficking networks, and put a stop to the gangs?
2. What measures is the Vice-President/High Representative taking to help eradicate jihadist terrorism, in particular in Libya?