

**Question for written answer E-009741/2015**  
**to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative)**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: VP/HR - Human rights in Western Sahara

Takbar Haddi, a Sahrawi mother, has been on hunger strike to demand the release of the body of her son Mohamed Lamin Haidala, who died in February 2015 following a brutal attack by Moroccan settlers in occupied Western Sahara. Haidala's remains disappeared when his family demanded an autopsy to clarify the circumstances of his death. This is not the first time that such an incident has occurred. The family of Said Dambar, another young man murdered in Laayoune in 2010, also fought to secure the release of his body, which remained in the morgue in Hassan Ben Mehdi hospital for 17 months after his death. The Dambar family had also refused to bury Said before an autopsy had been performed. The aim of this cruel refusal to release loved ones' bodies is to deter other Sahrawi families from exercising their right to obtain the truth.

Will the VP/HR remind the Moroccan government that depriving the families of Mohamed Lamin Haidala and Said Dambar of their right to the truth and their right to give their loved ones a decent burial also represents a serious violation of the international human rights conventions signed by the Moroccan State?

Will the Commission exert pressure on the Moroccan government to ensure that the families of Mohamed Lamin Haidala and Said Dambar are able to recover the remains of these two victims, and that their hopes for an independent investigation are fulfilled?