

**Question for written answer E-010854/2015  
to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative)**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: VP/HR - Spying on former Commissioners

The WikiLeaks revelations recently made public that the US National Security Agency had spied on three former French Presidents. Following this scandal, several former Commissioners, who served between 2004-2014, have come forward with serious revelations, indicating strong suspicions that they too may have been listened in on while they were in office.

According to statements published in the press, Louis Michel, Commissioner for Development 2004-2009, and Karel de Gucht, Commissioner for Trade 2010-2014, strongly suspect that they had been under surveillance using wiretaps on several occasions.

In view of the gravity of this case, can the High Representative please give her view of this situation? What steps has she taken or is she considering taking with the US authorities to demand a full explanation regarding this situation?