Question for written answer E-011310/2015 to the Council Rule 130 Joëlle Bergeron (EFDD)

Subject: The closure of Salafi mosques in Europe

In the wake of the awful terrorist attack in Sousse last month which killed 39 people, the Tunisian Government has decided to close all Salafi mosques in the country.

Writing in the latest edition of 'Valeurs Actuelles' magazine, Dalil Boubakeur, Rector of the Grand Mosque of Paris, stated that: 'Salafis, like Wahhabis, belong to a reactionary, dangerous and even criminal school.'

In most cases their mosques constitute a breeding ground for hate and extremist preaching.

Does the Council envisage following Tunisia's lead by requiring Member States to close the Salafi mosques on their territory?

What measures has the Council already taken to combat the radicalisation of mosques in Europe while at the same time respecting religious freedom?

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