

**Question for written answer E-013853/2015/rev.1**  
**to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative)**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: VP/HR - The EU's stand on Israel's policy of blind violence towards Palestinian citizens

The Israeli government is persisting in its policy of blind violence towards and extermination of the occupied Palestinian people who are fighting for an independent and free State. The Israeli army is using bullets to stop teenagers throwing stones and is carrying out murderous raids on and shelling civilians and infant 'terrorists'.

In view of the fact that the VP/HR has repeatedly stated that, for a two-State solution, the simple recognition of a Palestinian State is not enough and that the EU must support the creation of an independent, democratic, contiguous and viable Palestinian State that will co-exist peacefully with Israel and that: 'We cannot just sit and wait. If we sit and wait [the conflict] will go on for another 40 years'<sup>1</sup>, will the VP/HR say:

- How does the VP/HR intend to support the implementation of the recommendations made in the UN Commission of Inquiry report on ethnic cleansing in Gaza in 2014 and the work of the International Criminal Court?
- Does the VP/HR consider that the policy of terror and extermination being pursued by the State of Israel with the continual bombing of civilians is compatible with the fundamental principles of the EU and will lead to the creation of an independent Palestinian State?
- Will the VP/HR respond to these events or simply continue to stand by and sympathise with the victims?

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<sup>1</sup> <http://www.dw.com/en/eu-foreign-affairs-chief-mogherini-calls-for-palestinian-state/a-18048838>