

**Question for written answer E-015650/2015  
to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative)**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: VP/HR - Condemnation of the imprisonment of Khalida Jarrar

On 6 December 2015, Khalida Jarrar, Palestinian parliamentarian, feminist and lawyer for political prisoners, was sentenced to 15 months' imprisonment by an Israeli military tribunal in Ofer. Following her arrest by the occupying military forces, who burst into her house in Ramallah on 2 April 2015, Ms Jarrar's imprisonment has caused public outrage in Palestine, in the Arab world and internationally.

Although other Palestinian parliamentarians and political leaders, for example Marwan Barghouti, have been imprisoned in Israel for years, the EU has neither condemned the violation of the rights of these political prisoners nor taken any action on the basis of its association agreements to force Israel to uphold human rights.

1. Is the VP/HR aware of the imprisonment of Khalida Jarrar?
2. Why does the EU not apply Article 2 of the EU-Israel association agreement, which states that 'relations between the Parties [...] shall be based on respect for human rights and democratic principles, which guides their internal policy and constitutes an essential element of the Agreement'?