

**Question for written answer E-001206/2016/rev.1  
to the Council**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: EU-Saudi Arabia relationship - Arms embargo

The answer ( E-015299/2015) received to a question ( E-015299/2015) presented by MEPs from almost all of the political groups to the High Representative and Vice-President of the European Commission, Ms Mogherini, about instituting an arms embargo against Saudi Arabia, states that this requires a Council Decision to be adopted by unanimity.

We reiterate that Saudi Arabia has been accused of war crimes in Yemen, that the beheadings in the country continue, and that its role in the Middle East, through the support provided to the Islamic State, is widely known.

- Does the Council propose to raise the issue for all Member States to express their views on it and institute the arms embargo if unanimity is reached?
- If not, the Council is kindly requested to specify why the Council believes that there is no reason to institute an arms embargo against Saudi Arabia.