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Subject: No-go zones in Europe

Although the term 'no-go zone' – coined by the political analyst Daniel Pipes – has been called a 'myth', an independent report by the Montaigne Institute (2011) entitled *Banlieue de la République* stated that some predominantly Muslim suburbs in Paris are turning into 'separate Islamic societies'. On 16 February 2016, the *Daily Mail* published an article on no-go zones – especially where women are concerned – in some European cities such as Linz and Schärding (Austria).

- 1. Is the Commission aware of the existence of no-go zones in Europe where general laws do not apply, and other areas in which women are in practice unable to move about freely?
- 2. Does the European Union have a specific plan to support Member State authorities in restoring basic legality and guaranteeing fundamental rights in such cases?

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