

**Question for written answer E-004500/2016
to the Commission**

Rule 130

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Subject: Assessment of the effectiveness of legislation to tackle human trafficking and work on amending it

Human trafficking is a barbaric scourge which has claimed thousands of victims. Fighting this practice is instrumental to protecting Europe's security. The Council Directive defining the facilitation of unauthorised entry, transit and residence was published in 2002, i.e. before mass immigration to Europe and the growth of trafficking.

Has the Commission carried out an assessment of the legislation to tackle trafficking and does it intend to begin work to revise Directive 2002/90/EC of 28 November 2002 in order to lay down effective punishment for traffickers?