

**Question for written answer E-004687/2016/rev.1
to the Commission**

Rule 130

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Subject: Galician prisoner being held in isolation

The Galician prisoner Raúl Agulleiro Cartoy, who is being held in preventive custody in Estremera prison (Madrid VII) pending trial, has been held in complete isolation 24 hours a day, without any contact with other prisoners, ever since he entered the prison in March 2016.

His lawyer has complained that he is not permitted to take part in any of the activities organised by the prison and is locked in his cell, in isolation, for 20 hours a day. In the remaining four hours, which he spends in the courtyard, he is not allowed to communicate with other prisoners, contrary to Article 94 of the regulation governing prisons (Reglamento penitenciario), which stipulates that inmates in closed systems should have at least four hours' daily contact with at least five prisoners.

Does the Commission believe this to be lawful treatment of a prisoner under EU law?