

**Question for written answer E-007897/2016
to the Commission
Rule 130
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Subject: Polygamy among refugees and asylum seekers

Polygamy is legal in 57 states around the world, in many of which Islam is the dominant religion. More and more refugees now coming to Europe, for example from Syria, have multiple wives, some of them minors¹.

1. What legal and social problems are these child marriages likely to cause?
2. Are polygamous marriages recognised in Europe?
3. Will reunification be possible for families which are the result of polygamous marriages?

¹ <http://www.bbc.com/news/world-europe-36537305>