

Question for written answer E-008144/2016
to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative)
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Subject: VP/HR - Support for reforms in the security sector of EU partner countries

The EU has considerable experience in the area of reforms to the security sector which it should share with our partner countries. In November 2015 we undertook to support Tunisia in its efforts to modernise its security forces. We also stepped in in the case of Lebanon with the launch, in 3 June 2016, of a technical assistance programme in support of the country's own security sector reform.

On 5 July 2016 the Commission published a joint communication on elements for an EU-wide strategic framework to support security sector reform. This stressed the need to draw up measures to support security sector reform programmes in partner countries.

Would the High Representative please clarify which other countries in the Southern Partnership we are holding talks with in order to help them with security sector reform? Would she also explain the action which the EU is taking in this area?