

**Question for written answer E-000475/2017
to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative)**
Rule 130
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Subject: VP/HR - Two more Palestinians killed by Israel

The Israeli Government's policy of brutal aggression directed at the Palestinian people has been stepped up with the killing of two more Palestinians and the wounding of Ayman Odeh, a member of the Knesset and head of the Joint List, which includes the Hadash, a coalition made up of the Israeli Communist Party and others.

This growing repression of the Palestinians (citizens of Israel), who are being killed, injured, arrested or forcibly removed from their own homes on Israeli territory, accompanied by the establishment of Israeli settlements, is being condoned by the EU, US, NATO and Greek SYRIZA-ANEL Government, which are not only maintaining but actually stepping up economic, political and military relations with the criminal State of Israel.

In view of this:

1. Does the Vice-President/High Representative condemn the killings and the use of force by the Israeli State to achieve its objectives, including the expulsion of Palestinians from their homes?
2. Will the EU continue to step up its high level of economic, political and military cooperation with Israel, thereby legitimising what are in fact criminal actions?