

**Question for written answer E-000608/2017
to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative)**
Rule 130
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Subject: VP/HR - Action to free persecuted people from prison

According to the Open Doors foundation's 2017 World Watch List report, about 200 Christians are currently in prison because of their faith. The report discusses the situation of persecuted people. They are being deprived of a number of fundamental rights, including the right to protection against arbitrary detention, the right to a fair trial, the right of access to the judicial system, the right to equal treatment before the courts and freedom from torture.

Is the High Representative monitoring the repression of persecuted Christians on an ongoing basis?
What action will be taken to free persecuted people from prison?