

**Question for written answer E-004770/2017/rev.1  
to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative)**  
Rule 130  
**Jonathan Arnott (EFDD)**

Subject: VP/HR - Forced labour in laogai

China is known to use forced labour in *laogai* prison camps to produce goods that are sometimes sold on European markets. Inmates of the system include people imprisoned for their religious activities.

Could the Vice-President/High Representative confirm whether she has raised the issue of religious dissidents in the *laogai* system?

What steps, if any, has the Vice-President/High Representative taken to prevent *laogai*-produced goods from being sold on European markets?