

**Question for written answer E-001939/2018
to the Commission**

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Subject: Racism in Spain

The European Commission against Racism and Intolerance¹, which is part of the Council of Europe, and the United Nations Working Group of Experts on People of African Descent², have published their assessments of the situation in Spain. They have highlighted situations as serious as: police identification of people of African descent for reasons of race; collective expulsion and return to the border of irregular immigrants; lack of data and an independent organisation working to promote equal treatment; discrimination against immigrants in the 2012 health system reform; and the institutionalisation of racism by the Partido Popular's candidate in the Badalona municipal elections in 2011 and 2015.

Is the Commission aware that these situations are in breach of Article 21 of the European Convention on Human Rights, Directive 2000/43/EC and Article 10 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, among others, as well as the EU's founding principle of respect for human rights?

Will the Commission urge Spain to end discrimination based on nationality and race

¹ <https://www.coe.int/t/dghl/monitoring/ecri/Country-by-country/Spain/ESP-CBC-V-2018-002-ENG.pdf>

² <http://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=22705&LangID=E>

