

**Question for written answer E-002888/2018
to the Commission**

Rule 130

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Subject: The right to use public areas and impartiality of institutions

A number of incidents involving political protests have occurred in Catalonia recently, including separatist symbols being displayed on public beaches. Such protests are an infringement of people's right to enjoy public areas, and have given rise to public disturbances.

Does the Commission take the view that such acts, particularly if they are tolerated or encouraged by local institutions, might breach a number of the fundamental values enshrined in the Treaties, such as the principle of pluralism and the right to an impartial administration?