

**Question for written answer P-006873/2014
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Protection of European aid workers in dangerous areas

In recent weeks, several violent incidents have occurred at the expense of European aid workers in various parts of the world. For example, the three Xaverian missionaries from Italy, who were brutally murdered in Burundi, or the two Italian women volunteers abducted in Syria, where, moreover, the Jesuit Paolo Dall'Oglio is still missing, having been in the hands of unknown captors for over a year.

Can the Commission therefore say what steps it has taken, or intends to take, to protect EU citizens engaged in charitable activities in developing countries where they are at high risk of abduction or violence?