

**Question for written answer P-008043/2014
to the Commission**
Rule 130
Bill Etheridge (NI)

Subject: EU border rules

A British politician has called for measures including the fingerprinting of migrants, restrictions on migrants' entitlements to benefits, and fast-track deportation of criminals of EU origin on a first offence¹.

Can the Commission state whether any of the following proposed measures would or would not be legal under EU, international and/or Member State law (this would include organisations to which the EU, and by extension its Member States, are signatory):

1. fingerprint checks for migrants;
2. preventing an EU citizen from claiming any benefit to which UK citizens are entitled, such as child benefit, even when payment is then made outside of the UK;
3. easing of laws to make it easier to deport criminals from another EU Member State for their first offence?

¹ <http://www.expressandstar.com/news/2014/10/15/mp-calls-for-migrant-finger-print-checks>