

**Question for written answer P-009845/2014
to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative)
Rule 130
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Subject: VP/HR - EU position on air strikes in Syria

The air strikes carried out by the US-led coalition against the positions of the Islamic State and al-Nusra Front terrorists in Syria seem to be having little effect. These strikes have mainly destroyed civilian infrastructure in northern Syria, causing many civilian casualties, including children.

Furthermore, these air strikes are being conducted completely outside international law because they have neither been approved by the United Nations Security Council nor been requested by the Syrian government.

What is the EU's position on these air strikes?