

**Question for written answer P-002637/2015  
to the Commission**

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Subject: Violence linked to sports events

In the light of the rampage by hooligans in Rome on 18 and 19 February around the time of the Europa League fixture, it is clear that further action is required to deal with violence associated with European sporting events.

Despite the various measures taken by the EU in recent years to tackle this phenomenon, such as:

- the cooperation agreement signed on 14 October 2014,
- the Council decision on security in connection with football matches with an international dimension,
- the Council resolution on the use by Member States of bans on access to venues of football matches with an international dimension,
- the Council Resolution concerning a handbook for international cooperation between police forces,

can the Commission indicate whether it considers it necessary to assess the possibility of legislative measures to create a common European instrument to prevent violence linked to European sporting events, both inside and outside stadiums?