

WRITTEN QUESTION E-0332/03  
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to the Council

Subject: Election of Libya to chair the United Nations Commission on Human Rights

Did the concurring vote of the EU Member States, who abstained from the vote on Libya for chair of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights, thereby allowing Libya to become the international community's spokesman on respect for human rights, stem from a common position adopted within the framework of the Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP), or from another arrangement? Does the Council feel that this appointment is likely to enhance the credibility of the United Nations system?