

WRITTEN QUESTION E-2984/08
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to the Commission

Subject: Human rights in Algeria

Would the Commission please comment on concerns highlighted by Amnesty International about the persistent pattern of secret detention and torture carried out by Algeria's Department for Information and Security (Département du Renseignement et de la Sécurité, DRS)? Wider concerns relate to the failure of the Algerian Government to provide an effective remedy to victims of human rights abuses, including torture and ill-treatment; and to continuing violence against women. Would the Commission provide details of its assessment of the human rights situation in Algeria?