

WRITTEN QUESTION E-3852/08
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to the Commission

Subject: The Ahmadiyya community in Indonesia

Is the Commission aware of the situation in Indonesia regarding the Ahmadiyya community? It is being persecuted for its religious beliefs despite the fact that the right to religious freedom is one of the main principles enshrined in the Indonesian Constitution.

In light of this internationally reported discrimination, and the violent protests that have ensued, will the Commission make representations to the Indonesian Government to ensure that this situation does not escalate into ethnic violence and bloodshed?

What other action does the Commission envisage taking so that religious tolerance can remain a constitutional right in Indonesia?

Can the Commission also inform me what actions have been taken to protect the Ahmadiyya community in Pakistan and Bangladesh?