

WRITTEN QUESTION E-3546/09
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to the Commission

Subject: Current situation in Moldova

A constituent has contacted me regarding the current situation in Moldova. My constituent feels that the European press is portraying the situation inaccurately and that young people did not set fire to the House of Parliament and the President's residence and that, in fact, demonstrations were peaceful.

My constituent also believes that there are approximately 200,000 deceased individuals on the electoral register and that they allegedly 'voted' for the Communist Party. My constituent also believes that there were persons who found out that they already voted before they got to the voting stations and that these irregularities were well hidden but are now becoming apparent.

My constituent also informs me that there are reports that the police and Moldovan special forces are kidnapping people from the streets, including children forcing them to sign confessions.

My constituent feels that the media is only portraying small portions of the situation rather than the full picture.

Can the Commission confirm:

1. if it recognises the situation as described by my constituent in Moldova?
2. if these alleged injustices are in fact happening, what actions does the European Commission intend to take in order to address them?