WRITTEN QUESTION E-6620/09 by Emilio Menéndez del Valle (S&D) to the Commission

Subject: Human rights in Uganda

Under Ugandan law, the death penalty is applied to homosexuals suffering from AIDS, and anyone engaging in homosexual practices is sentenced to life imprisonment. A draft law is now before the legislature which would apply the death penalty for homosexuality and introduce prison sentences of up to seven years for anyone failing to denounce it.

Has the Commission made any attempt, in the context of its cooperation relations with this African country, to raise the barbaric nature of these measures with the Ugandan authorities?

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