

**Question for written answer E-009998/2011  
to the Commission  
Rule 117  
Kristiina Ojuland (ALDE)**

Subject: VP/HR - Violence against Christians in Pakistan

The US State Department's 'International Religious Freedom Report' has cited Pakistan as 'failing to sufficiently protect religious rights'.

Violence against Christians and other religious minorities has intensified in Pakistan over the last year.

Can the VP/HR outline what practical steps she is taking to protect Christian and other religious minorities living in Pakistan?