

**Question for written answer E-004525/2012
to the Commission**
Rule 117
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Subject: Turkey prefers the OIC to the EU

1. Is the Commission familiar with the report¹ that Turkey intends to veto participation by an EU delegation at a NATO summit unless representatives of the Organisation of the Islamic Conference (OIC) are invited?
2. Does the Commission agree with the Party for Freedom that Turkey is once more demonstrating that it does not belong in the EU as a candidate Member State? If not, why not?
3. What is the Commission's view of Turkey's membership of an organisation (the OIC) which restricts human rights to those described by Sharia, or Islamic law?
4. Does the Commission believe that a country which is a member of an organisation (the OIC) that permits, among other things, the death penalty by stoning for adultery, uses amputation of limbs as a punishment and makes it clear that women are at all times inferior to men can never become a member of the European Union? If not, why not?

¹ <http://www.neurope.eu/article/turkey-veto-eu-participation-nato-summit>