Question for written answer E-005592/2012 to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative) Rule 117 Jill Evans (Verts/ALE), Frieda Brepoels (Verts/ALE), François Alfonsi (Verts/ALE), Alyn Smith (Verts/ALE), Nicole Kiil-Nielsen (Verts/ALE) and Ana Miranda (Verts/ALE)

Subject: VP/HR - Israeli authorities' demolition of EU Member State projects

According to data collected by the Commission, the UN and local activists, the Israeli authorities demolished 22 water cisterns and 37 residential and agricultural structures funded by EU Member States in 2011. They have also issued demolition orders and 'stop-work' orders against a long list of other EU-funded schemes, including 14 water cisterns, 34 water sanitation facilities, eight solar energy schemes, two schools and a medical centre.

In the period from 2001 to 2011, the Commission estimates that Israel destroyed EUR 49 million worth of EU-funded projects in total.

What action has the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy taken to stop the Israeli demolition policy in the occupied territories, especially when it affects projects funded by the EU and its Member States, and in the light of the association agreement concluded between the EU and Israel and of the EU-Israel Action Plan? Does the High Representative believe that measures such as blocking imports of products made by Israeli settlers or an EU visa ban on settler radicals should be implemented, especially given that the occupation and the settlements are illegal under international law?