

**Question for written answer E-004030/2013**  
**to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative)**  
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Subject: VP/HR - Situation in the Central African Republic

Since the start of the rebellion in the Central African Republic, the situation of the civilian population has been worsening daily. Looting, rape and hunger are a daily reality. Recent press reports have spoken of a breakdown of the short-lived peace in its capital, Bangui. Private homes and the offices of international organisations are being looted.

The European Union is the Central African Republic's biggest partner and main donor. The CAR benefits from financial aid under the Millennium Development Goals, the European Development Fund and the African Peace Facility.

1. In view of the current political situation there, what strategy will the EU adopt towards the country?
2. What action has so far been taken by the EU delegation in the CAR to protect citizens of European Union Member States there?
3. Will there be a change in the EU's position in negotiations over the Economic Partnership Agreement with the Economic and Monetary Community of Central Africa?
4. Will there be any substantial change to the European Union's strategy and its programme of humanitarian aid to the Central African Republic, which amounted to EUR 8 million in 2012?