Question for written answer E-003505/2014 to the Commission Rule 117

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Subject: Attack on Indian consulate in Afghanistan

On 3 August 2013, suicide bombers targeted the Indian consulate in the eastern Afghan city of Jalalabad, leading to the killing of nine civilians. There have been increasing numbers of attacks on Indian diplomatic missions in Afghanistan by the Pakistan-based terror outfit Lashkar-e-Taiba. In 2008 and 2009, the Indian embassy in Kabul was bombed by militants, leaving some 75 people dead. In 2010, two Kabul guest-houses popular among Indians were attacked, killing more than six Indians.

The Lashkar-e-Taiba group is active in Afghanistan and collaborates with other insurgent groups active in eastern Afghanistan near the border with Pakistan. These terror groups are backed by the Pakistani intelligence services, ISI.

- 1. What information does the Commission have on the level of terrorism on the Afghanistan-Pakistan border?
- 2. Will the Commission seek an explanation from Pakistan about the links between ISI and terror groups?
- 3. Will the Commission reconsider the aid given to Pakistan to fight terror, given that official Pakistani agencies are supporting terror activity?¹

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