

**Question for written answer E-004481/2014
to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative)
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Subject: VP/HR - Respect for human rights in the United States

Even after six years in office, Barack Obama has yet to keep one of the promises he made in his first election campaign: to close Guantanamo.

To this day there are still more than 150 prisoners at the site, even though some of them have been deemed fit for release, both by President Bush and by President Obama.

1. Are the European authorities conducting any kind of dialogue with their American counterparts on the possibility of these prisoners being freed?
2. What is the EU's position on the Guantanamo issue?