

**Question for written answer E-005367/2014  
to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative)**  
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Despite the extremely difficult political security situation in the country, and the fact that it is currently having to cope with a refugee crisis, Lebanon remains firmly committed to following the guidelines laid down by the EU.

The country is making determined efforts to bring in anti-corruption laws, bolster its institutions and democratic procedures and uphold human rights on a day-to-day basis.

However, although the measures it is adopting are a step in the right direction, they do not go far enough in addressing the problems and needs that have been identified.

What is being done to establish a truly independent judiciary, abolish the death penalty and improve the prison system?