

**Question for written answer E-003403/2017
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Health and safety at work - sexual harassment and rape at the workplace

According to a study of 2000 women conducted by Amnesty International in collaboration with SOS Viol in 2014, some 7% of Belgian women say that they have been forced to engage in sexual acts by their superiors at their place of work.

Does the Commission have detailed information from each Member State concerning cases of sexual harassment and rape of women at the workplace?

Given that the European authorities are competent to deal with matters concerning health and safety at work, and that the EU has signed the Istanbul Convention, does the Commission plan to take steps to prevent sexual harassment and rape at work? Does it intend to develop a strategy to tackle this type of assault at the workplace?