

**Question for written answer E-003675/2017  
to the Commission**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: Child marriages in Turkey

According to the organisation Girls Not Brides<sup>1</sup>, Turkey has one of the highest rates of child marriage in Europe, with an estimated 15% of girls married before the age of 18.

1. Is the Commission aware that child marriages are taking place in Turkey?
2. Does it agree that the child marriages occurring in Turkey constitute violations of human rights?
3. What consequences will child marriage in Turkey have for its future accession negotiations? Does the Commission share the view that human rights violations in the form of child marriage render the accession negotiations entirely inappropriate? Will it terminate the accession negotiations in the light of this fact?

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<sup>1</sup> <http://www.girlsnotbrides.org/child-marriage/turkey>