

**Question for written answer E-002660/2018
to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative)**
Rule 130
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Subject: VP/HR - Palestinians killed by the Israeli army at the border with the Gaza Strip

The transfer of the United States Embassy to Jerusalem and the US's recognition of Jerusalem as Israel's capital (an illegal decision under international law) led to a mass march at the border with the Gaza Strip in protest at these diplomatic moves.

On 15 May 2018, the date of the march, 60 Palestinians were killed by the Israeli army and a further 1 000 shot and injured, as was reported by international media. This was the highest number killed since the summer of 2014 when the indiscriminate attack on the Gaza Strip left 2 500 Palestinians dead.

- 1) In view of these facts, will the Vice-President / High Representative seek consultations with Israel's Ambassador to the EU?
- 2) Article 2 of the EU-Israel Association Agreement calls for respect for human rights. What further human rights violations will Israel commit before questions are raised concerning the conclusion of this Association Agreement?
- 3) Will the Vice-President / High Representative call an urgent meeting of Member State representatives to discuss what action should be taken against Israel?