

**Question for written answer E-006217/2018
to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative)**
Rule 130
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Subject: VP/HR - The water supply in the Kabylie region

Providing access to clean drinking water is a commitment voluntarily taken by the Algerian Government under Article 52 of the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement between the European Union of the one part, and Algeria of the other part. To provide a clean water supply is also a responsibility voluntarily accepted by the Algerian Government under the scope of Goal 6 of the Sustainable Development Goals. However, progress on the issue remains poor. A number of credible reports^{1, 2} have indicated that the Algerian Government uses the water supply as a political tool, deliberately diverting it to ensure the socio-economic underdevelopment of the Kabylie region.

Is the VP/HR aware of the situation in the Kabylie region?

If so, what measures will the VP/HR take in order to push the Algerian Government to improve access to water for the Kabylia people in line with the agreements upheld by the EU and the UN Sustainable Development Goals?

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<http://sdgindex.org/assets/files/2018/01%20SDGS%20GLOBAL%20EDITION%20WEB%20V9%20180718.pdf#page=22>

² <http://www.esisc.org/publications/analyses/kabylie-repression-and-a-plan-for-autonomy>