

**Question for written answer E-003589/2019  
to the Commission**  
Rule 138  
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**Subject:** Accession of the European Union to the European Convention on Human Rights

European Union accession to the European Convention on Human Rights (ECHR) is a legal obligation under Article 6 of the Treaty on European Union. While a provisional agreement had been negotiated between the Council of Europe and the European Commission, the European Court of Justice held in 2014 that parts of it were incompatible with EU law.

As indicated in her mission statement, Věra Jourová, Vice-President-designate for Values and Transparency, has been instructed by Ursula von der Leyen to lead the Commission's efforts to ensure the European Union's accession to the European Convention on Human Rights.

Has the Commission been able to remedy the incompatibilities highlighted by the Court of Justice in order to propose a new draft agreement in line with EU law?

What is the envisaged timetable for EU accession to the ECHR?

Can the Commission count on the agreement of all the EU Member States?

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