

**Question for written answer E-000560/2020
to the Commission**

Rule 138

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Subject: Violence committed in the name of 'honour' (e.g. so-called 'honour killings', Part 2)

I refer to Commissioner Dalli's reply (E-003320/2019).

According to her reply, combating gender-based violence in all its forms is a priority for the Commission. However, no precise figures are said to be available on 'honour killings'.

The Istanbul Convention stipulates that acts in the name of 'honour' shall not be considered as justification for any acts of violence

The Commission states that it also tackles violence by funding projects such as the 'Rights, Equality and Citizenship Programme'.

1. To what extent will the Commission promote the specific identification of 'honour killings' and other crimes motivated by the concept of 'honour' in order to verify the impact of the relevant provisions of the Istanbul Convention?
2. What cultural and religious background can perpetrators of acts of violence whose pretext is 'honour' be expected to possess?
3. To what extent have EU-funded programmes so far proved sufficient or useful as a way of curbing the increasing number of violent crimes against women?

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