

**Question for written answer E-005791/2020/rev.1
to the Commission**

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Subject: Fight against Islamism and its macabre consequences

Ms von der Leyen, Mr Schinas and Ms Johansson, senior officials at the Commission, were unable to actually name the evil, i.e. Islamism, in their belated reactions on social media to the Islamist attack in Conflans-Sainte-Honorine, in which a teacher was beheaded for showing cartoons of Mohammed as part of a civic education course.

This lack of willingness to name Islamism – the main source of terrorism in Europe together with the extreme left, according to the Europol 2020 report – added to the fact that a debate on police brutality in the EU – totally out of touch with reality – took place in plenary a few days after this horrible attack, is shocking.

1. Can the Commission explain why there were no references to Islamism in their reactions to the attack in Conflans-Sainte-Honorine?
2. Why does the Commission prefer to discuss ‘police violence’, a marginal issue, rather than the professionalism of the police, once again demonstrated during the neutralisation of this terrorist?
3. Will the Commission make the fight against Islamism, instead of Islamophobia, one of its priorities?