

**Question for written answer E-000637/2021
to the Commission**
Rule 138
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Subject: Coup d'état in Myanmar

In the early hours of Monday, 1 February, Myanmar's army arrested the Head of Government, Aung San Suu Kyi, together with other leaders of the ruling party, the National League for Democracy, including President Win Myint. The military coup, motivated by what the army considers electoral fraud during the November 2020 elections, has left the country in a state of emergency and the Commander in Chief, Min Aung Hlaing, as leader of the government until new elections are held.

1. What is the Commission's view of these events?
2. What action is it taking to help protect civilians, de-escalate the conflict and aid the release of detainees and the democratic transition in the country?
3. Does it intend to take additional measures to protect the Rohingya people, persecuted and forcibly displaced under the government of Aung San Suu Kyi, in the face of the humanitarian crisis currently unfolding in Myanmar and the threats to their security?