

**Question for written answer E-000843/2022
to the Commission**

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Subject: Amnesty International report on Israeli apartheid against the Palestinian people

In recent years, numerous Palestinian, Israeli and international organisations have denounced Israel's system of apartheid against the Palestinian population throughout the various territories it controls. On 1 February 2022, Amnesty International published a report entitled 'Israel's apartheid against Palestinians: cruel system of domination and crime against humanity', in which it echoed those conclusions. The report describes how Israel has established a political, social and economic system of institutionalised violence, discrimination and dispossession against Palestinians, including massive seizures of land and property, unlawful killings, forced displacements, drastic limitations on movement, and the denial of nationality and citizenship. Amnesty has joined the aforementioned organisations in calling for the abolition of this system of apartheid.

Given that the defence of human rights is one of the key pillars of the EU in its legislative capacity:

1. What does the Commission intend to do to ensure its collaboration with Israeli authorities and institutions does not strengthen this system of apartheid?
2. Will the Commission suspend collaboration agreements that enable the funding of tools used to perpetuate this system or for the system itself, including Israeli participation in the Horizon programme?
3. Does the Commission believe that the EU-Israel Association Agreement can continue in the light of these revelations?