

**Question for written answer E-001839/2022
to the Commission**
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Subject: Worrying rise in anti-Semitic acts in Europe

According to a report published by the Jewish Agency and the World Zionist Organisation, there was a peak in anti-Semitic acts around the world in 2021, at more than 10 incidents per day. Roughly 50% of those acts were committed in Europe, and around 30% in the United States.

The most-commonly recorded anti-Semitic acts were vandalism, wrecking, graffitiing, desecration of graves and propaganda. Physical and verbal aggression accounted for one third of the acts reported. The number of anti-Semitic conspiracy theories expounded on social media has also increased, and anti-Semitic symbols have also been used in demonstrations against restrictive health measures. One of the main reasons for the increase in these acts was the war between Israel and Hamas in May 2021, which triggered a wave of pro-Palestinian and anti-Israeli demonstrations, and which degenerated into serious attacks against Jews in that region and beyond.

What is the Commission's strategy for putting a stop to anti-Semitic acts everywhere in Europe?