

**Question for written answer E-002007/2022**  
**to the Commission**  
Rule 138  
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**Subject:** Consequences of Iraq's recently adopted anti-Israeli legislation

The Parliament of Iraq has recently adopted new legislation that criminalises all forms of normalisation with Israel. The purpose is to 'prevent the establishment of diplomatic, political, military, economic and cultural or any other form of relationship' with Israel. As a result, an Iraqi citizen found to have travelled to Israel or to have been in contact with Israeli institutions could face life imprisonment or even the death penalty. The law may also apply to foreign citizens in Iraq.

The legislation's sole purpose is to prevent any peaceful development between Iraq and Israel. In doing so, it violates fundamental rights and democratic values, in direct contrast to the aim of EU development aid.

1. Will the Commission make further development aid conditional upon Iraq upholding fundamental rights and democratic values?
2. Is the Commission considering any other consequences for Iraq on account of its new anti-Israeli legislation, and if so, what kind of consequences?