Question for written answer E-002981/2022/rev.1 to the Commission
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Subject: Conscientious objection

It has become known that Ukraine has sentenced conscientious objectors to several years of imprisonment (on probation). There is a right to conscientious objection in Ukraine, but it is limited to 10 religious communities. The current cases show that even this is not being respected.¹

1. In the course of its accession talks with Ukraine, how is the Commission addressing the human right to conscientious objection, as established by the European Court of Human Rights?

2. What is the Commission’s general position on the demand for the implementation of the human right to conscientious objection in the international guidelines of the UN Human Rights Council on the question of conscientious objection to military service?

¹ https://en.connection-ev.org/article-3596