

**Question for written answer E-000774/2023/rev.1  
to the Commission**

Rule 138

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**Subject:** Failure to comply with anti-corruption measures intended to prevent interference from Morocco following Qatargate

On 19 January 2023, Parliament adopted a resolution on restricting representatives from Qatar, Mauritania and Morocco from accessing the institution's sites while the Qatargate scandal is under investigation. Since this corruption scandal was made public, relations and ongoing projects with Qatar have been put on hold, whereas those with Morocco seem to continue. This can be seen in how the negotiations relating to the EU-Morocco fisheries agreement are carrying on, and how Moroccan representatives can still access the European institutions as normal.

In light of the above:

1. What view does the Commission take of the continued presence of such representatives in the European institutions?
2. Does the Commission believe that the lack of determination and transparency, as well the lax attitude towards corrupt practices, prevent the European institutions from carrying out their work independently?
3. What steps has the Commission taken towards establishing an independent ethics body for all the European institutions, as President Ursula Von der Leyen asked Commissioner Jourová to in 2019?

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