

**Question for written answer E-003338/2023
to the Commission**

Rule 138

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Subject: Impartiality of international organisation officials in the context of Hamas' brutal attack on Israel and the dissemination of antisemitic disinformation

Hamas' brutal and unjustified attack against Israel has caused the re-emergence of antisemitic attacks, propaganda and disinformation in Europe and across the world. The international institutions should act to stem this appalling phenomenon.

Statements from Francesca Albanese, UN Special Rapporteur on the occupied Palestinian territories, such as 'Israel occupies like a military dictatorship', have caused a lot of debate in Italy. Various press investigations and UN Watch have highlighted that Francesca Albanese 'is not capable of acting as a neutral and independent UN expert on anything involving the Palestinians, as UN rules require and she herself acknowledged before being chosen for the post'. Francesca Albanese did not disclose to the UN that she is married to Massimiliano Cali, who was an economic adviser to the Palestinian State's Ministry of National Economy in Ramallah.

Given the above:

1. Does the Commission consider that officials employed by international institutions should meet and honour the neutrality requirements?
2. In its view, how should the EU strategy on combating antisemitism be implemented in international organisations?

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