

ORAL QUESTION H-0502/08
for Question Time at the part-session in July 2008
pursuant to Rule 109 of the Rules of Procedure
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to the Council

Subject: Intimidation of Mohammed Barakeh by the Israeli authorities

On 20 May 2008, Mohammed Barakeh, a member of the leadership of the Communist Party of Israel, President of Hadash and leader of the Hadash parliamentary party in the Israeli Parliament, was interrogated by the Israeli police on trumped up charges of allegedly assaulting a police officer during the demonstrations against the war in Lebanon in 2006. Mohammed Barakeh, who took part in the European Parliament hearings on 13-14 May 2008, is known for his views advocating peace and security in the Middle East.

Does the Council condemn these acts by the Israeli authorities, which constitute a direct attack on the policy of Hadash and the Communist Party of Israel to bring about a just settlement of the Palestinian question and the peaceful coexistence of the Israelis and Palestinians?

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