

ORAL QUESTION H-0009/09
for Question Time at the part-session in February 2009
pursuant to Rule 109 of the Rules of Procedure
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to the Commission

Subject: Suspension of agreement with Israel

During the Christmas holidays, Israeli launched Operation Cast Lead. At the time of writing, more than 900 Palestinians have been killed and thousands injured. Article 2 of the EU-Israel cooperation agreement requires respect for human rights. It is more evident than ever that Israel has violated that provision. In October 2005, the EU suspended the cooperation agreement with Uzbekistan with reference to Article 2.

Is the Commission prepared to enforce the human rights requirement in the trade agreement with Israel and suspend the agreement? What other measures are planned to persuade Israel to cease the violence?

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