

**Question for oral answer O-000009/2021
to the Commission**

Rule 136

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Subject: Appointment of an EU Special Envoy for the promotion of freedom of religion or belief outside the EU

On 8 July 2020 the Commission announced that it would appoint a Special Envoy for the promotion of freedom of religion or belief outside the EU (FoRB), after the mandate of the previous Special Envoy expired on 30 November 2019. Until now no envoy has been appointed.

1. Why has the Special Envoy for the promotion of FoRB not been appointed yet?
2. When will the Commission appoint the Special Envoy for the promotion of FoRB, what will be his/her mandate and under what working arrangements will he/she operate?

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