

Question for written answer P-015318/2015
to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative)
Rule 130
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Subject: VP/HR - Oil trading between Turkey and ISIS

Many independent and credible news sources have long been reporting that trading in oil and oil products has become consolidated between the Islamic State and Turkey. Part of this trafficking operation is allegedly being conducted by the son of President Erdogan. Recently, the President of the Russian Federation, Putin, has publicly raised the issue once again, openly accusing Turkey of illegal oil trafficking with a view to financing and supporting ISIS. The Russian fighter jet that was shot down by Turkish air defence was apparently hit after it had destroyed 500 road convoys transporting oil from ISIS-occupied areas to Turkey.

Can the Vice-President/High Representative confirm or deny this information, and on what basis?

Does she not think she should take action to clarify this matter and, should the information be confirmed, promote sanctions against Turkey for its financing of a terrorist organisation?