

**Priority question for written answer P-000295/2023  
to the Vice-President of the Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs  
and Security Policy**

Rule 138

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Subject: Israeli raid in Jenin

On Thursday 26 January 2023, Israeli Defense Forces killed at least nine Palestinians in 'a raid' on the densely populated refugee camp in the Palestinian city of Jenin in the northern West Bank. This was one of the deadliest Israeli 'operations' in nearly two decades. Since the beginning of 2023, we have been witnessing an increase in the high levels of violence and other alarming trends that characterised 2022. It is therefore crucial that the EU step up its efforts to immediately prevent more loss of life.

1. While the US released a statement<sup>1</sup> on 26 January, no reaction has been seen from the EU. Why has the EU not reacted to this situation?
2. What action will the Vice-President / High Representative take to call for an immediate end to the continuing cycle of Israeli violence in Palestine and will these efforts be coordinated with the US?
3. In this context, are there any plans to review the EU- Israel Association Agreement<sup>2</sup> to make clear to the Israeli authorities that no violations of human rights in the occupied territories will be accepted, as regulated in Article 2 of the agreement?

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.state.gov/the-situation-in-jenin/>.

<sup>2</sup> Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the State of Israel, of the other part (OJ L 147, 21.6.2000, p. 3).