

**Question for written answer E-015992/2015
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Curfews in Turkey

The Turkish Government has been imposing curfews on the Kurdish community since 7 June 2015.

It is using the police and armed forces to prevent people from entering and leaving Kurdish cities and the provinces of Hakkari, Dargeçit, Sur, Nusaybin, Silopi and Cizre.

Moreover, since 7 June, long and open-ended curfews lasting whole days have been declared a total of 52 times in 17 districts in 6 different provinces with an overall population of 1.3 million people.

This has resulted in:

the deaths of over 140 people, including 20 women and 26 children;

electricity networks and water systems closing down, hence preventing people from satisfying even their most basic of needs;

children being denied the right to education;

displacement, with people being forced to leave their homes once again and being subjected to all kinds of insults, abuse and ill-treatment.

What does the Commission think of all this? Does she consider it appropriate to continue accession negotiations with Turkey when that country repeatedly violates the human rights of its people?