Question for written answer E-014837/2015 to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative) Rule 130 Maria Arena (S&D)

Subject: VP/HR - Women in Afghanistan

Atrocities are once again being committed against women in Afghanistan. On 2 November 2015, the international community learnt that Rokhsahana, a 20 year-old woman forced into marriage by her family, had been stoned to death for adultery after eloping with a man of her own age. Last March, a woman named Farkhunda was savagely beaten in the centre of Kabul after being wrongly accused of blasphemy.

What is the EU's response to the alarming rise of the Taliban and the worsening treatment of women in Afghanistan?

Is it using specific or other funds to support measures to protect women and combat violence against them in Afghanistan?

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