

**Question for written answer E-015445/2015**  
**to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative)**  
Rule 130  
**Francisco José Millán Mon (PPE)**

Subject: VP/HR - Union for the Mediterranean meeting in Barcelona

On 26 November 2015, an informal meeting of the Union for the Mediterranean (UfM) was held in Barcelona. It was co-chaired by Vice President/High Representative Ms Mogherini and the Jordanian Foreign Minister, Nasser Judeh, and attended by the foreign ministers of several UfM member states, including the Spanish Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation.

A few days prior, on 18 November, a joint communication on the review of the European neighbourhood policy was published.

1. Can the Vice President/High Representative say whether this communication was discussed at the meeting?
2. If so, what view did the southern Mediterranean countries take of it?
3. In what way does the Vice President/High Representative think the Union for the Mediterranean could play a more active role in fostering cooperation between partner countries on both shores of the Mediterranean?