Question for written answer E-015959/2015 to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative) Rule 130 Ángela Vallina (GUE/NGL)

Subject: VP/HR - Revision of the EU-Israel Association Agreement following judgment T-512/12

Judgment T-512/12 of the EU Court of Justice led to the cancellation of Decision 2012/497/EU which relates to a section of the agreement concerning reciprocal liberalisation measures on agricultural and fishery products. Among other things, the judgment indicates that natural resources from Western Sahara (which has been occupied territory since 1975 and sees no benefit whatsoever from the exploitation of these resources) are included as part of the trading system.

According to the communication of the Commission dated 11 November 2015, the State of Israel, as an occupying force of Palestinian territory, must label its products so that it is possible to see whether or not they come from occupied territory.

In line with the judgment itself, the above communication, the United Nations resolutions condemning Israel's violations of international law, the issue of non-compliance with the 1948 Agreements, and her answer to questions such as that concerning the construction of walls in Palestine¹, does the VP/HR believe that the preferential trade treatment of States that violate international law is consistent with Article 3(5) of the Treaty on European Union?

What will be done to monitor compliance with the communication of 11 November on the labelling of products?

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