

**Question for written answer E-014739/2015**  
**to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative)**  
Rule 130  
**Neoklis Sylikiotis (GUE/NGL)**

Subject: VP/HR - Imprisonment of Palestinian children in Israel

According to ADDAMEER, the Palestinian NGO which fights for the human rights of Palestinians in prison in Israel, 156 Palestinian children were arrested in September alone. 60% of these children were abducted from their homes during raids by the armed forces. Testimonies of the Committee of Palestinian Detainees report that a substantial proportion of children who are in prison have been brutally beaten and tortured by the security forces, which have even resorted to the use of electric shocks. These cruel and inhumane actions constitute a flagrant violation of the UN Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and the Convention on the Rights of the Child, which Israel ratified in 1991.

In view of the above, will the High Representative say:

- Is she aware of these inhumane acts? What measures will the EU take to put pressure on Israel to respect the human rights of all Palestinians, to stop assaulting children and to immediately release all the children who are in prison?