

**Question for written answer E-001782/2025
to the Commission**

Rule 144

**Rima Hassan (The Left), Mélissa Camara (Verts/ALE), Benedetta Scuderi (Verts/ALE),
Marco Tarquinio (S&D), Damien Carême (The Left), Nela Riehl (Verts/ALE)**

Subject: Urgent need to address rising Islamophobia in the EU, following the murder of Aboubakar Cissé in France

On 25 April 2025, 22-year-old Aboubakar Cissé was brutally murdered inside a mosque in La Grand-Combe, France, in a hate-fuelled attack. The attacker reportedly filmed the dying victim while shouting Islamophobic slurs.

This tragedy is not an isolated incident. As documented by the EU Agency for Fundamental Rights¹, Muslims across Europe are consistently subjected to high levels of discrimination, hate crimes and violence, with France among the most affected Member States.

In light of the Commission's commitments under the EU anti-racism action plan and the urgent need for action, can the Commission answer the following:

1. How does the Commission plan to address the clear lack in the protection of Muslim communities and their places of worship, including through dedicated EU funding?
2. Will the Commission undertake a review of national laws and policies that disproportionately impact Muslim communities and contribute to a climate of fear and insecurity?
3. What concrete steps will the Commission take to ensure that Islamophobic hate crimes are effectively recorded, investigated and prosecuted, and that Member States are held accountable for inaction?

Submitted: 2.5.2025

¹ European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights, 'Second European Union Minorities and Discrimination Survey (EU-MIDIS II) – Muslims – Selected findings', September 2017.
<https://fra.europa.eu/en/publication/2017/eumidis-ii-muslims-selected-findings>.