

**Question for written answer E-002464/2025
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Refusal to invite OSCE/ODIHR observers

Georgian Dream leader Irakli Kobakhidze has refused to invite observers from the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe / Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (OSCE/ODIHR) to the forthcoming municipal elections in Georgia, asserting that the elections will be ‘free and fair’ while deputies of the ruling Georgian Dream party have launched public and unfounded accusations against European diplomatic missions, notably the British Embassy, accusing them of interfering in domestic affairs and ‘funding radicals.’

1. Does the Commission intend to formally engage with the Georgian Dream authorities to demand the immediate invitation of OSCE/ODIHR observers to ensure the transparency, integrity and credibility of the upcoming elections?
2. In the absence of internationally recognised observation missions, by what criteria does the Commission intend to evaluate the democratic legitimacy of these elections?
3. What concrete measures does the Commission plan to implement to monitor and safeguard the democratic integrity of the elections under these concerning circumstances?

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