

**Question for written answer E-003059/2025
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Need for an internal EU instrument for transitional justice for victims of systemic 20th-century crimes

In its response to question E-002079/2025¹, the Commission stated that EU instruments supporting transitional justice, such as NDICI-Global Europe and the Instrument contributing to Stability and Peace, are only applicable within the framework of external action policy and, therefore, outside the EU.

This means that citizens of EU Member States that are still suffering the consequences of systemic 20th-century crimes, including crimes carried out during the Second World War, are not covered by any EU mechanisms enforcing rights or allowing for redress or symbolic reparations.

1. How does the Commission justify this divergence in the light of the EU's commitment to human rights and Directive 2012/29/EU that establishes minimum standards on support and protection of victims of crime?
2. Is the Commission planning to propose that an internal EU instrument for transitional justice be created for victims of systemic human rights violations and historical crimes in Member States?
3. What specific steps could the Commission take to ensure that living EU citizens that are not covered by existing justice mechanisms receive the same opportunity to seek redress as victims of repression and conflicts outside of the EU?

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¹ https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/E-10-2025-002079-ASW_EN.html