

**Question for written answer E-003897/2025
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Alleged violations of religious freedom in candidate country Moldova

In a letter to the UN, the NGO 'Zmogaus Teisiu Apsauga' reports several cases of discrimination on grounds of religion against members of the Orthodox Church of Moldova (59th session of the UN Human Rights Council, ref. A/HRC/59/NGO/115). Among other things, travel restrictions, confiscation of personal property, financial sanctions and revocation of property rights in favour of another Church are said to be taking place with the support of the government.

However, as a candidate country, Moldova is required to comply with Article 10 of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the EU.

1. Is the Commission aware of these violations of religious freedom in Moldova?
2. Has the Commission raised this issue with the Moldovan Government?
3. What concrete steps is the Commission taking to monitor the situation in Moldova?

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