

**Question for written answer E-004490/2025
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 – follow-up question

I would like to draw the Commission's attention to the fact that my questions concern the crimes and aggressions of Nazi Germany, not stateless 'totalitarian regimes'.

In its answer to E-003059/2025¹, the Commission referred to the Victim's Rights Directive 2012/29/EU and funding programmes (Justice, CERV, TSI), without addressing the fundamental issue: the lack of an EU mechanism for victims of systemic historical crimes in Member States where criminal proceedings are not pending or are impossible. Meanwhile, in external policy, similar activities are funded by the NDICI-Global Europe instrument.

How does the Commission intend to coordinate a potential internal instrument with Directive 2014/60/EU on the return of cultural objects (material restitution aspect) and with the EU Strategy on Victims' Rights (2020-2025), so as to ensure equal treatment of victims within and outside the EU? Please provide an interoperability plan and performance indicators.

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¹ https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/E-10-2025-003059_EN.html