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Subject: Latest report of the UN Special Rapporteur Francesca Albanese on the situation in the Occupied Palestinian Territory and on human rights violations by Israel

According to the latest report[1] presented on 23 March to the United Nations Human Rights Council by Special Rapporteur Francesca Albanese, Israel's use of torture against Palestinians has taken on a systematic and structural character, occurring not only within detention centres, but as a widespread practice throughout the entire Occupied Palestinian Territory, which has been transformed into a veritable 'torturous environment'. The report documents practices such as waterboarding, beatings, burns, electric shocks, sexual violence and humiliation. Already in 2025, the UN Committee against Torture expressed grave concern over 'the application of a de facto State policy of organised and widespread torture and ill-treatment', while the UN Commission of Inquiry has found that Article II(b)[2] grounds of the Genocide Convention are established.

In addition, the Israeli Knesset has approved the application of the death penalty for Palestinians accused of terrorism, while Israeli military operations in Iran and Lebanon continue to affect civilians and innocent populations, further exacerbating instability and violations of international law.

In the light of the above:

1. Is the Commission aware of the findings contained in the above-mentioned report, and what is its assessment of them?

2. What is the state of play regarding the assessment of a possible suspension of the EU–Israel Association Agreement, in the light of the aforementioned persistent and documented human rights violations?

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[1] https://www.un.org/unispal/document/torture-and-genocide-report-of-the-special-rapporteur-on-the-situation-of-human-rights-in-the-palestinian-territories-occupied-since-1967-advance-edited-version-a-hrc-61-71/.
[2] https://www.ohchr.org/en/instruments-mechanisms/instruments/convention-prevention-and-punishment-crime-genocide.