

**Question for written answer E-004168/2026  
to the Commission**

Rule 144

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Subject: IDF travellers

The UN's Commission of Inquiry<sup>1</sup> has documented the fact that Israeli forces have committed war crimes and crimes against humanity in Gaza. Amnesty International, Save the Children and other organisations have documented attacks on the civilian population and have demanded accountability under international law.

An investigation by Sveriges Television<sup>2</sup> has found that nearly 300 citizens of the Nordic countries are serving or have served in the Israeli military, of whom 150 are Swedish, 99 are Danish and 62 are Finnish citizens. It must be ensured that people who have committed crimes do not evade justice by returning to their home countries.

There is a precedent. Eurojust has confirmed that EU citizens who fought for Islamic State may be held liable for war crimes, crimes against humanity and genocide, in addition to terrorism offences. Eurojust has documented how the Member States can prosecute them.

1. Does the Commission intend to invite the Member States to investigate people who return after serving in the IDF where there is reason to suspect a war crime or crime against humanity?
2. Eurojust is coordinating the work to document and bring prosecutions for war crimes in Ukraine. Does the Commission intend to give Eurojust a mandate to coordinate the work to document and bring prosecutions for war crimes in Gaza?
3. Does the Commission take the view that the Member States have a responsibility to ensure that EU citizens who have travelled to fight for the Israeli army have not committed war crimes?

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2025/09/israel-has-committed-genocide-gaza-strip-un-commission-finds>.

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.svt.se/nyheter/utrikes/nara-300-skandinaver-ar-med-i-den-israeliska-militaren-svt-har-traffat-en-av-dem>.