

**Question for written answer E-004272/2026  
to the Commission**  
Rule 144  
**Arkadiusz Mularczyk (ECR)**

**Subject:** Practical application of the conditionality of EU aid in the protection of freedom of religion in Africa

In its reply of 13 October 2026 to question E-003461/2026<sup>1</sup>, the Commission confirmed that it is possible to suspend cooperation in the event of breaches of human rights and that EU delegations are monitoring the situation. However, the Commission made no mention of the use of those instruments, decision-making criteria or measures involving the redirection of aid to victims.

In the light of the foregoing:

1. Since the provisional application of the Samoa Agreement, in which African countries have breaches of religious freedom or failures to meet the obligation of protecting religious minorities led to consultations or to the reduction, suspension or redirection of EU funding? Please specify the measures taken and the amounts involved and, if there have been no such cases, please confirm that explicitly.
2. How do the EU delegations' findings on religious persecution influence decisions on funding for partner countries' authorities, and what specific criteria determine whether such support is continued or scaled back?
3. What programmes and funding did the Commission make available during this period to provide direct support to victims of religious persecution in Africa, including Christians and children, and did this include the redirection of funds originally allocated to state authorities?

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<sup>1</sup> [https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/E-10-2026-003461-ASW\\_EN.html](https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/E-10-2026-003461-ASW_EN.html).