## Question for written answer E-001540/2014 to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative) Rule 117 Sir Graham Watson (ALDE)

Subject: VP/HR - Burmese prisoners

Last year, Burmese President Thein Sein made some positive statements regarding the release of prisoners and the end of detention of prisoners of conscience.

Dr Tun Aung, a Muslim community leader, has been sentenced to 17 years' imprisonment following riots between Rakhine Buddhists and Rohingya Muslims in Maungdaw, a town in western Burma. It would appear Dr Aung actively tried to calm the crowd and played no part in the violence.

- 1. Is the Vice-President / High Representative aware of Dr Aung's imprisonment?
- 2. What representations are being made regarding the continued detention of prisoners of conscience?

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