Question for written answer E-001479/2024 to the Commission Rule 144 Margarita de la Pisa Carrión (PfE)

Subject: Attack on religious feelings at the 2024 Olympic Games in Paris

Countless people all around the world felt profoundly offended by the Olympics opening ceremony, in particular, by the gross mockery made of the Christian Last Supper. Representatives of other religious beliefs, such as Dr Eli David, have shown solidarity in the face of this insult.

Union law (Article 2 of the Treaty on European Union, Articles 1 and 10 of the Charter of Fundamental Rights and related legislation and case-law) guarantees human dignity and freedom of religion, including protection against attacks on religious feelings, as a limitation on freedom of expression. The European Commission ensures the application of the Treaties, monitors the application of Union law and represents the EU externally.

In the light of the above:

- 1. Does the Commission consider that there has been a lack of public respect for the fundamental right to religious freedom and dignity of Christians?
- 2. Does it intend to ask France to explain why it tolerates the public mockery of religious beliefs on its territory?
- 3. Does it intend to ask the International Olympic Committee to explain the public humiliation of Christians?

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