Question for written answer E-007306/2014 to the Commission Rule 130 Rachida Dati (PPE)

Subject: Expanding the remit of the European Cybercrime Centre

On 10 February 2014, the European Cybercrime Centre was one year old. The centre was set up in January 2013 to support Member State action to combat cybercrime.

The notion of cybercrime not only covers internet offences like attacks on computer systems, but also online fraud and illegal content, such as incitement to commit acts of terrorism.

It has become clear that the European Cybercrime Centre's remit does not fully reflect the complexity of cybercrime. For example, it does not cover efforts to combat incitement to violence and terrorism.

At a time when terrorist movements such as ISIS are proving very successful in reaching out to certain young Europeans, resolute European-level action on all fronts is needed to stop them disseminating their dangerous ideology.

In order to achieve this, does the Commission envisage expanding the European Cybercrime Centre's remit to include action against websites that promote terrorist ideology, with a view to preventing incitement to leave Europe?

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