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to the Council**

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Subject: 'Mos Maiorum' joint operation and role played by Frontex

A joint police operation entitled 'Mos Maiorum', launched by the Council and coordinated by the Italian Interior Ministry's Central Directorate for Immigration and Border Police, with the cooperation of Frontex, is to be carried out between 13 and 26 October 2014. All of the Member States and the Schengen associated countries have been invited to take part.

The operation's aim is to degrade the capacity of criminal gangs involved in illegal trafficking of migrants into the EU and to gather information, for investigative and intelligence purposes, on the main routes used by migrants and on the criminal networks themselves.

Does the Council intend to provide Parliament, which is part of the budgetary authority, with information on:

1. practical aspects of the operation and its conduct, in particular what exactly it is trying to achieve, what use will be made of Schengen databases and how the fundamental rights of non-EU nationals caught up in the operation will be protected?
2. the role that Frontex will be playing in the operation, given in particular that the agency's brief covers surveillance of the EU's external borders?
3. relevant results of the operation, so that Parliament may gain a better understanding of the situation?