Question for written answer E-009945/2014 to the Commission Rule 130 Therese Comodini Cachia (PPE)

Subject: Frontex Joint Operation Triton

On 7 October 2014 the Commission announced the launch of Frontex Joint Operation Triton, which started its activity in the Central Mediterranean on 1 November 2014 with the aim of managing the high migration pressure in the Mediterranean.

A Commission statement said that Triton would rely on human and technical resources made available by the participating Member States. It has been reported that this operation has not attracted the necessary resources from Member States.

Noting that the monthly budget foreseen for the operation amounts to EUR 2.9 million, can the Commission state what contribution is being provided by the individual Member States?

An appeal was made to Member States in connection with the deployment of technical equipment. Can the Commission say what the result of this appeal was?

Does Frontex still need more technical equipment in order for the operation to be fully implemented?

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