

**Question for written answer E-000789/2015
to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative)**
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Subject: VP/HR - Anti-terrorism intelligence agency

1. Taking into consideration the recent abominable terrorist attacks in Paris, earlier terrorist actions in Europe, and the numerous attempted terrorist attacks in Europe thwarted by the intelligence and security agencies of the EU Member States, does the High Representative intend to analyse the possibility of setting up an EU anti-terrorist intelligence agency, with the purpose of enhancing coordination and intelligence-sharing among Member States?

There is still reluctance on the part of some Member States regarding such a project, but Europe is under attack and we have to respond correctly, in order to protect our citizens, our institutions, our values, and our freedom - freedom to think, to speak, to act, to write, according to our beliefs.

2. What is the High Representative planning to do to strengthen the Common Security and Defence Policy in order to counter such attacks fast and successfully?

The first step toward achievement of such a project might be the setting-up of a Special Intelligence Department within the Commission, to collect the relevant information from the Member States, the US, and other partner states, and share it so that our security institutions can act in time to counter possible terrorist attacks in Europe.