

**Question for written answer E-001002/2015/rev.1
to the Council**
Rule 130
Jozo Radoš (ALDE)

Subject: Amendment of the decision establishing the Athena mechanism

The decision establishing the Athena mechanism was last amended in the second half of 2011. The mechanism may be altered at the request of a Member State and must be revised at least every three years. The decision was due to be amended again in the second half of 2014. Given the sensitive nature of the mechanism, relating as it does to the financing of military operations, every change is a matter of great significance.

1. What stage has been reached in the procedure for amending the decision establishing the Athena mechanism?
2. What is the essence of the planned changes to the decision?