Question for written answer E-005108/2015 to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative) Rule 130 Philippe Juvin (PPE)

Subject: VP / HR - Attack on the Bardo Museum

The jihadist threat has struck again. The attack by Kalashnikov-wielding gunmen at the Bardo Museum in Tunis on 18 March 2015 claimed 22 lives and left forty injured.

On 19 November 2012, the European Union and Tunisia drew up an action plan (2013-2017) for a privileged partnership, which provides in paragraph 21 for measures to strengthen cooperation in the fight against terrorism and organised crime. On 16 and 17 March 2015, on the occasion of the 11th session of the EU-Tunisia Association Council, the two sides again discussed intensifying cooperation in the fight against terrorism.

At the European Council of 20 March, two days after this despicable attack, the European Union and its Member States declared their determination to strengthen cooperation with Tunisia, in particular to counter this global terrorist threat.

Will the Vice-President / High Representative say whether she has any information about practical steps that will be taken to strengthen EU-Tunisia cooperation in the fight against terrorism?

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