Question for written answer E-006805/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 Joëlle Bergeron (EFDD)

Subject: Number of European jihadis travelling to Syria

According to the French weekly, *Valeurs Actuelles*, Věra Jourová, the European Commissioner for Justice, has expressed concern that the figures for European jihadis travelling to Syria are severely underestimated.

According to the 16 April 2015 issue of *Le Figaro Magazine*, a recently published Senate report states that the number of French nationals who have travelled to the combat zones in Syria and Iraq has doubled in the space of a year, standing at 1 432 as of 9 March 2015. The rate of departures started increasing in 2012.

- 1. What specific information was Commissioner Jourová basing her comments on when she said she feared the number of jihadis who have left for Syria has been significantly underestimated?
- 2. What are the Commission's estimates, for each individual EU Member State, of the real number of European jihadis who have left to travel to Syria and Iraq?

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