

**Question for written answer E-006845/2015
to the Commission**
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Subject: Cyber security

The cyber-attack on 8 April against the French-language television channel TV5 Monde and that which targeted several French-language Belgian newspapers showed once again the vulnerability of Europe's systems to cyber-attack.

The European Union urgently needs a comprehensive strategy to counter these threats as the number of cyber-attacks continues to rise.

In February 2013, the Commission adopted a Cyber Security Strategy to protect the EU's critical infrastructure, but that strategy has still not entered into force.

1. What powers does the EU have in the areas of cyber security and cyber defence? What progress has been made in implementing the EU's Cyber Security Strategy?
2. Is the Commission planning to propose new measures to protect all European IT systems?
3. What types of measures could be implemented to give the EU effective tools to counter these threats?