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Subject: Counter-terrorism measures

In an interview given to the Journal du Dimanche on 25 January, Gilles de Kerchove said that 'to imprison a radical will radicalise him even more.' The EU's counter-terrorism coordinator continued: 'Mohamed Merah and Amedy Coulibaly had been common criminals who became radicalised in prison through contact with jihad veterans and self-proclaimed imams'.

Given this serious admission of weakness, the only solution is to place an outright ban on jihadis returning to the soil of a Member State and, for those that have already returned, to expel them as quickly as possible. To this end, the most effective solution would appear to be to strip these Islamists of their EU citizenship.

Both procedures are already provided for under French law, both for French-born people and for those who have acquired French nationality.

Could the Commission carry out a comparative survey of Member States' nationality legislation, for example via the Expert Group on EU Criminal Policy created in September 2011?

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