

Question for written answer E-002435/2016
to the Commission
Rule 130
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Subject: Action plan to combat wildlife trafficking within the EU

In its European Security Agenda, presented in May 2015, the Commission proposed among other things to intensify the fight against environmental crime and the illegal trade in wildlife.

The Commission confirmed its intention by adopting, on 26 February 2016, an EU Action Plan against Wildlife Trafficking and for strengthening the EU's role in the global fight against these illegal activities. This action plan forms part of the wider framework of the EU Action Plan on the fight against terrorist financing, presented by the Commission on 2 February 2016.

This plan also proposes to enhance the effectiveness of the fight against organised crime by stepping up cooperation with Europol among others.

1. How does the Commission propose to account for the implementation of this action plan, particularly as regards the fight against terrorist financing?
2. Does the Commission propose to draw up an annual report on the implementation of the action plan?
3. As regards closer cooperation with Europol, could the Commission give more detail on how it intends to implement such cooperation, and in particular on the exchange of information?