

Question for written answer E-004076/2016
to the Commission
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Subject: Creation of a European site to fight terrorism

On 29 January 2016, Europol published a list of the most wanted fugitives in the 28 Member States. The internet platform contains detailed information on each criminal and invites EU citizens to act as witnesses to speed up the search.

Three months after the platform was launched, 10 criminals have been arrested, six of whom were caught thanks to tip-offs sent via the site.

Among those arrested were Salah Abdeslam and Mohamed Abrini, who were involved in the Paris and Brussels attacks.

What is more, in all ten of those cases, the arrest was made in a Member State other than the one that had been looking for the criminal in the first place.

1. Given that this platform has been a success, is the Commission thinking of bringing in other initiatives of the same kind, bringing EU citizens together in the fight against terrorism, for example the fight against terrorism online?
2. Is the Commission thinking of setting up a web page featuring, in particular, the numbers and addresses of all competent national authorities so that any citizen – no matter what country they are in – can warn the police of potential departures?