Question for written answer E-007288/2016 to the Commission Rule 130 Rachida Dati (PPE)

Subject: Update on the EU Internet Forum

On 3 December 2015, Commissioners Dimitris Avramopoulos and Věra Jourová launched the EU Internet Forum. The purpose of the forum, which brought together EU Home Affairs Ministers, senior representatives of major internet companies, representatives of Europol, the EU Counter-Terrorism Coordinator and representatives of the European Parliament, was to establish a public-private partnership for combating the dissemination of terrorist propaganda on line.

The Commission's approach was to encourage internet companies to take voluntary measures to detect and remove posts inciting to hatred and violence. Given the security threat that the European Union faces, it is vital that we strengthen our tools for combating terrorism and preventing radicalisation via the internet.

Can the Commission, therefore, report on the work of this forum and the decisions taken there? What measures have been introduced, since the forum's establishment, to prevent radicalisation and stop terrorist organisations recruiting EU citizens?

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