

**Question for written answer E-001217/2017**  
**to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative)**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: VP/HR - Cooperation with Afghanistan in the field of security

On 18 February 2016, the High Representative of the European Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy and the Afghan Minister of Finance signed a cooperation agreement on partnership and development (CAPD), which provides a new basis for cooperation between Afghanistan and the EU in a number of areas. The country's fragile status quo makes it crucial to consolidate peace, prevent conflict and maintain security. The agreement provides for cooperation in those areas primarily in the form of exchanges of information, capacity-building and the provision of technical assistance.

Until the end of December 2016, an EU mission, EUPOL Afghanistan, trained members of the Afghan police force in the country. When the mission came to an end, the High Representative's office stated that EUPOL Afghanistan had fulfilled its mandate.

What arrangements will be made to ensure that the new cooperation arrangements build on the progress made by EUPOL Afghanistan?

Moreover, can the High Representative specify the implications of the CAPD in the field of security?