

**Question for written answer E-005126/2017  
to the Commission**

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Subject: Commission position on stricter regulation and control of private security companies

On 4 July, MEPs decided that private security companies would have to respect minimum requirements and stay away from combat missions, while their staff would be controlled. 'We have to admit that the time has come to regulate the ways private security companies are being used' said the rapporteur, MEP Hilde Vautmas.

1. Does the Commission consider the intention to regulate private companies contrary to the foundations of the European Union, such as the freedom to conduct business?
2. Does making over 40 000 security companies in the European Union subject to control entail an increase in controlling capacities and, as a result, increased funding to authorities entrusted with controlling such companies?