

**Question for written answer E-007102/2017
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Reintroduction of controls in the Schengen area

Germany has requested the continued reintroduction of controls, not only at its land borders with Austria but also at airports for flights from Greece.

The Schengen area is one of the most important achievements in terms of European integration and directly affects the everyday life of European citizens. In addition, its member countries have begun to step up security in a number of ways, including exchanges of information in a bid to tackle organised cross-border crime, terrorism, etc.

In view of this:

1. Does the Commission consider that Germany is justified in seeking the reintroduction of border controls at airports for flights from Greece alone, given that none of the perpetrators of terrorist attacks in any of the Member States entered directly from Greece?
2. Has Germany has submitted its reasons for the proposed reintroduction of controls, including all relevant data detailing events that constitute a serious threat to its public policy or internal security, under Article 27 of Regulation (EU) 2016/399?
3. Have any weaknesses been detected along Greek external borders that might jeopardise the overall functioning of the Schengen area?