

Question for written answer E-001406/2018
to the Commission
Rule 130
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Subject: Foreign support for the establishment of a Catalanian terrorist front

According to current Spanish media reports, the Israeli secret service, Mossad, is actively involved in the Catalanian struggle for secession. Sources inside the Spanish secret service (CNI) have allegedly claimed that Israel is actively working towards the creation of a separatist terrorist organisation and is working to recruit activists in the separatist youth organisation ARRAN. Allegedly, CNI has received information about ARRAN activists who had stayed in Israel on multiple occasions and received instruction in the handling of weapons and explosives while they were there. Furthermore, according to CNI, Israel provided the nascent separatist terror organisation with assault weapons and hand grenades. According to media reports, the incumbent Spanish Minister of Foreign Affairs, Alfonso Dastis, has made protests to the Israeli embassy in Spain concerning earlier Israeli involvement in agitation and made formal enquiries regarding current Israeli support for Catalanian terrorist groups. – According to media reports, even the 'secret service' of the Catalanian regional government, CESICAT, was developed with significant assistance from Mossad.

1. What information does the Commission possess regarding Mossad's activities in connection with the independence movement in Catalonia?
2. To what extent were cross-border foreign activities, in support of a Catalanian terrorist front, particularly Israeli activities, known to the European security services such as EUROPOL?