

**Question for written answer E-002152/2018/rev.1  
to the Council**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: Alleged poisoning of double agent Skripal

In an attack carried out in the United Kingdom on 4 March 2018, the former double agent Sergei Skripal and his daughter were apparently poisoned. The European Council conclusions issued on 22 March 2018 stated that it was 'highly likely' that Russia was 'responsible' for the attack. The EU ambassador to Russia was, moreover, recalled for consultations. One direct consequence of that decision is that several Member States have already expelled Russian diplomats.

- 1) What data does the Council have on the nerve agent used, including evidence, that has prompted the Council to publicly state that it was highly likely that Russia was responsible for the attack?
- 2) What does the Council know about the US action to deal with the production facility in Uzbekistan from which the poison apparently came? Does it have information on the whereabouts of the remaining stocks?
- 3) In future, when intelligence services of non-member countries – Israel or the US, say – attempt to commit murder in EU countries, will the response be similar and, if not, why not?