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to the Commission**

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Subject: Internal security in the EU - progress made and challenges remaining following a year of unprecedented terrorist attacks

Close to one year after the Paris attacks, and following 13 more terrorist attacks in Europe since, security remains a major concern for EU citizens. Notwithstanding the remarkable legislative achievements made in this area over the past year, which include the reinforcement of EU agencies, especially Europol and Eurojust, the creation of the European Border and Coast Guard, and the adoption of the EU PNR Directive, much work remains to be done to achieve the Security Union proclaimed by the Commission President in March 2016 and reiterated in his State of the Union speech of 14 September.

1. How does the Commission evaluate the progress achieved so far, in particular as regards the information exchange between Member States' security services and their contribution to Europol databases and SIS II?
2. Prevention, detection and investigation require increased and effective information sharing between Member States' law enforcement and judicial authorities, and relevant EU agencies, and among EU agencies themselves, using existing EU instruments to the full. What are the concrete legislative measures that the Commission intends to present to improve the interoperability of databases?
3. How does the Commission plan to prevent radicalisation on- and offline effectively?
4. It has been proven that two of the terrorists involved in the Paris attacks have taken advantage of the irregular migratory flow into Europe by entering through Greece where they registered with fraudulent Syrian documents, and by travelling on the refugee routes. What does the Commission intend to do to thwart the abuse of refugee routes by terrorists?

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