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to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative)
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Subject: VP/HR - Financing of jihadism

The recent attacks in Paris, which have led to unanimous condemnation on the part of the EU institutions, Member States and the general public, have reminded us that nobody is safe from the jihadist threat. Moreover, in the case of Europe, it so happens that the perpetrators are young Europeans who, in many cases, have been radicalised in Europe itself by externally-funded indoctrinators.

Can the Vice-President/High Representative therefore answer the following questions:

1. In order to eradicate the scourge of terrorism, does the Commission have any mechanisms by which it can investigate the financial flows that end up financing jihadist indoctrination in Europe?
2. Does the EU think that some states, mainly theocratic dictatorships, might be being used as a base from which to send remittances to finance the European jihadists?