

WRITTEN QUESTION E-6894/08
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to the Council

Subject: Chain of command: Operation Atalanta

Could the Council clarify the chain of command during Operation Atalanta off the Horn of Africa?

Does the Council believe that Operation Atalanta sets the template for future naval operations at an EU level?

Once a warship or other naval asset (such as a warship) is committed to an EU naval operation such as Atalanta, can the mission be compromised by a Member State withdrawing such an asset?