

**Question for written answer E-7562/2010
to the Council
Rule 117
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Subject: The rôle of the European External Action Service in combating terrorism

The diplomatic services of the Member States are indispensable in the fight against international terrorism. Following the entry into force of the Lisbon Treaty, the European External Action Service, which will come into being in the second half of 2010, must be given an important rôle in coordinating the EU-wide fight against terrorism.

What rôle does the Council intend for the External Action Service? How does it envisage the mechanisms of cooperation? Will it set up a separate unit for this purpose? Will there be a separate post within the External Action Service to deal with issues of internal security?