

**Question for written answer E-000455/2017
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: European Arrest Warrant: guaranteeing fair trials and fundamental rights

The European Arrest Warrant (EAW) is an important tool for improving and simplifying judicial procedures, with a view to carrying out more streamlined surrender procedures between Member States. There is, however, much room for improvement in the way the system operates in order to continue to build mutual confidence in Member States' judicial systems and to prevent the system from being abused – a problem compounded by cases of Member States failing to protect the basic rights of individuals when issuing EAWs.

1. With this in mind, what is the progress of reform in each of the Member States in response to cases where there are serious human rights concerns?
2. With a particular focus on extradition requests, does the Commission plan to implement safeguards to prevent abuses of the EAW system?
3. What action does the Commission plan to take to ensure that Member States adhere to reforms in response to concerns about fair trials and detention conditions for those suspected or accused of a crime?