

**Question for written answer E-007604/2017
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Darknet drug-related sales

In a joint publication recently issued by the European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA) and Europol, an upward trend in the online sale of drugs utilising the Darknet has been registered.

In spite of a number of practical difficulties in obtaining data, the report considers that around two-thirds of all items offered for sale on the Darknet are drug-related.

1. Is Europol involved in the investigations?
2. By way of follow-up to its proposals on cybersecurity, the Commission is expected to present concrete proposals in 2018 focusing on cybercrime. Will these proposals focus on the illicit online sale of drugs on such networks?