

**Question for written answer E-005958/2018
to the Commission**

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Subject: Employment of illegal migrants in the European Union

Illegal employment not only puts workers at risk of dangerous working conditions and lower pay, but also deprives governments of revenue and infringes Member States' social security systems.

It has been noted that employment of illegal migrants is most widespread in the following sectors: construction, domestic services, farming, hospitality, and catering.

In 2014, the EU Action Plan against migrant smuggling for 2015-2020 was developed. The plan specifies the key actions for preventing and combating migrant smuggling, while guaranteeing respect for the fundamental human rights of migrants. The aforementioned plan also specifies measures for reducing the employment of illegal immigrants through checks, as well as new and harsher sanctions against employers who illegally employ workers, among others.

With reference to the EU Action Plan, can the Commission say:

- 1) Has it already specified the target minimum number of checks that must be performed every year in the sectors of the economy that are most at risk of employing illegal migrants?
- 2) Are there plans to develop, in the near future, a common strategy to prevent the employment of illegal immigrants?