Question for written answer E-000071/2019/rev.1 to the Council
Rule 130
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Subject: Oversight of security agencies

Five European intelligence oversight bodies have begun a new form of cooperation. They appear to be swapping notes on their national security agencies' performance in data usage. This entails the five countries conducting an investigation into their respective country's security services' use of information regarding foreign terrorist fighters, and sharing methods, best practices and experiences.

It should be noted that, of these five countries, Denmark, the Netherlands and Norway are members of '9 Eyes' and Belgium is a member of '14 Eyes', and they share significant crucial intelligence with the remainder of the intelligence and security community.

Does the Council know whether all those taking part in these oversight ventures are positively vetted and whether, in trying to ensure the privacy and human rights of specific suspects, they do not compromise the security of the majority of EU citizens?

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