Question for written answer E-000623/2019 to the Commission
Rule 130
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Subject: The EU's fight against terrorism

The European Union has been the victim of a large number of terrorist attacks in recent years. The persistent terrorist threat to Europe's citizens is a clear sign that priority needs to be given to the EU's security policy.

A common European security policy which includes a unified fight against terrorism is the right approach. Only coordinated EU action can effectively counter the wide-reaching terrorist networks.

In December 2018, Parliament's Special Committee on Terrorism (TERR) put forward proposals for a new EU strategy to combat radicalisation, improve cooperation between EU agencies, the Member States and EU authorities, and provide support to victims of terrorism.

- (1) What is the Commission's assessment of these proposals of the Special Committee on Terrorism put forward in December 2018?
- (2) What specific action does the Commission believe should be taken in order to respect the fundamental rights of individuals, with particular regard to data protection and freedom of expression, in the context of the fight against terrorism?
- (3) Are there currently any projects or detailed plans to establish or strengthen cooperation between the EU and third countries and neighbouring countries in particular, also taking into account the possible departure of the United Kingdom from the EU?

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