

**Question for written answer E-001426/2020/rev.1
to the Commission**

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Subject: Frontex

FragDenStaat, an internet platform, unsuccessfully sued Frontex for the release of information about its Mediterranean operations. Frontex is now demanding private legal fees amounting to EUR 23 700 from this platform, without providing any breakdown of these fees. Such a course of action is rare in civil society.

Did Frontex do this by arrangement with and/or with the knowledge of the Commission? If not, to whom is Frontex accountable in such cases? Why is there no table of fees at EU level precisely establishing lawyers' fees (such as exists in Germany, for instance)?