

**Question for written answer E-001504/2020/rev.1
to the Commission**
Rule 138
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Subject: Operation of Frontex: deployment of drones to detect migrants at sea

Frontex is acquiring RPAs (drones) or using drones supplied by Member States for surveillance of territorial waters or to detect migrants.

1. What is the current state of play regarding the procurement and deployment of drones by Frontex? What results have been achieved so far, and what areas are already under surveillance?
2. Have arrangements been made for surveillance of the English Channel off the coast of Belgium and France? If not, why not? If so, since when?