Question for written answer E-001601/2020
to the Commission
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Subject: Attacks on emergency services

In Germany, the number of attacks on emergency service personnel (police, fire brigade, paramedics etc.) is quite significant. Thus, according to a report in the online edition of the ‘Tagespiegel’ dated 28 February 2019: ‘Last year saw a renewed increase in the number of violent acts against police officers. Whereas in 2017, 6811 police officers were attacked while on duty, in 2018 the number rose to 6955. Only 2015, with a total of 7060 attacks, saw a larger number in the past eight years.’

1. How has the situation evolved in this respect in the individual Member States in the period 2015 to 2019, and which organisations suffered attacks in which countries and how often?

2. How many emergency service staff were killed in such attacks between 2015 and 2019 and in which Member States?

3. What information is available concerning the perpetrators (gender, age, origin, social status, political/religious beliefs and level of education)?