Question for written answer E-005132/2020 to the Commission Rule 138 Özlem Demirel (GUE/NGL)

Subject: Weapons and equipment for the permanent corps of Frontex

The European Border and Coast Guard Agency (Frontex) plans to set up a permanent corps of 10 000 officials organised in four different categories by 2027. The corps is to have its own technical equipment and weapons. It is not clear where these will be procured and stored, and how they will be transported to places of deployment.

- 1. What quantities of firearms or coercive equipment does Frontex intend to procure? What calls for tender have been put out or will be put out for these?
- 2. Which members of the permanent corps will use these weapons or equipment, and where will they be stored?
- 3. What will the procedure be for transferring the weapons or equipment to the places of deployment, and what legal issues need to be addressed in this regard?