Question for written answer E-006126/2020 to the Commission

Rule 138

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Subject: 'DERAD' deradicalisation programme

The terrorist responsible for the attack in Vienna on 2 November 2020 had taken part in a deradicalisation programme (DERAD), which is supported by the European Union.

The attacker is reported to have successfully convinced both supervisors and judges that he had undergone a profound change, thereby achieving an early release.¹

Since the EU is involved in promoting the programme, we would like the following questions to be answered:

Is the Commission investigating whether the DERAD project is achieving success in its task of deradicalising Islamists?

Is the Commission looking into whether DERAD has enabled other terrorists to obtain early release?

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¹ https://orf.at/stories/3188154/