

**Question for written answer E-006163/2020  
to the Commission**  
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**Subject:** Combating terrorism by depriving Islamist associations supporting and propagating this political and religious ideology of EU funding

At the close of the EU mini-summit on Tuesday 10 October, with the participation of Chancellor Kurz, Chancellor Merkel, President Macron, Prime Minister Rutte and the President of the European Council, the Commission President set out the three main pillars of her contribution to the fight against Islamist terrorism.

The first is prevention: the Commission believes the root causes of the problem to be 'advancement opportunities, inclusion and commonality' and that the solution is thus 'for young people to have prospects'.

The second is protecting the EU's external borders: the Commission wishes to hold the first 'Schengen forum', a large-scale debate on the strengths and weaknesses of this free movement area, which has been criticised from all sides.

The third pillar is an agenda on combating terrorism which intends to regulate the acquisition and possession of weapons, as if terrorists bought their supplies from licensed firearms dealers....

These measures are wholly useless against the gangs of murderers that have been running amok for many years, particularly in France.

Would it not be better to start by depriving Islamist associations supporting and propagating this political and religious ideology – a veritable cradle of terrorism – of EU funding?