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to the Commission
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Subject: Use of artificial intelligence for Frontex risk analysis

The European Border and Coast Guard Agency (Frontex) is seeking to make use of a new platform developed by the Israeli Windward company for the purposes of automatic risk detection and assessment in EU waters. Self-learning software will be deployed to investigate suspected irregular shipping movements, which will be displayed on a constantly updated 'threat map'.

1.   With which companies has Frontex currently concluded 'maritime analysis' contracts (within the framework of EUROSUR for example) and what applications are involved?

2.   When did the contracts take effect and what costs were incurred?

3.   Which of these applications are based on artificial intelligence and which skills are being computerised in this way?