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to the Commission**

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Subject: European Border and Coast Guard Agency (Frontex)

The European Border and Coast Guard Agency, also known as Frontex, is tasked with securing, in cooperation with the EU Member States, the external borders of the Member States of the European Union.

To that end, it was decided to increase the size of its corps to 10 000.

As the Politico.eu news website reports¹, this project is threatening to fail already during the recruitment procedure and deserving law enforcement officers are being left in the lurch without prospect of further progress in the procedure.

In particular, the lack of transparency of the recruitment process is problematic for the recruits.

1. Why are recruitment procedures continuing while staff in Poland are forced to be idle?
2. What measures does the Commission intend to take to make the recruitment process efficient and transparent?
3. How does the Commission intend to support Frontex's original tasks of protecting the EU's external borders?

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¹ <https://www.politico.eu/article/frontex-growing-pains-europe-migration-border-coast-guards-hiring-chaos/>

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