

**Question for written answer E-001268/2021
to the Commission**

Rule 138

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Subject: Equipping the Libyan coastguard with a new surveillance system

The Commission is financing the upgrade of the integrated border and migration management in Libya under the second phase of the 'Support to Integrated Border and Migration Management in Libya' (SIBMMIL) project implemented by the Italian Interior Ministry.

The measures include the purchase of three more ships, support for fleet maintenance and the establishment of a radar-supported surveillance network for the Libyan coast. It is also paying for a container-based maritime rescue coordination centre (MRCC) for deployment along the coast.

1. What ships from what builders are being procured under the SIBMMIL project? Are they destined for the military coastguard or the civilian maritime police?
2. What are the specifications of the radar-supported surveillance network for the Libyan coast, and who is the main contractor?
3. What does the container-based maritime rescue coordination centre consist of? Why does the Commission consider such a facility to be necessary?