

**Question for written answer E-001678/2021
to the Commission**
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Subject: Migration during the pandemic

Around 20 000 asylum applications were submitted during the pandemic last year in Austria. And some 1 000 migrants are settling in Germany every month.

1. How is it possible that there have been restrictions on freedom to travel for EU citizens for over a year, yet migrants can wander unchecked through the whole of Europe and settle in various Member States?
2. Last year just four migrants were sent back to Greece from Germany. Why is nothing done when there are clear violations of regulations to combat the pandemic and of the Dublin Convention?
3. How will the Commission put a stop to violations of this kind as quickly as possible?