Question for written answer E-002456/2021 to the Council Rule 138 Özlem Demirel (The Left)

Subject: Strategic dialogue on military responses to cyber threats

In the context of the Strategic Compass, the Member States involved are talking about measures to combat hybrid threats and military responses to cyber threats. Analysis is taking place as part of a strategic dialogue, in various formats, of whether Articles 47(2) TEU and 222 TFEU might be activated to this end. This is being led by the armed forces of Cyprus, Germany, Spain and Finland.

- 1. For what threats in cyberspace does the Council think that Articles 47(2) TEU and 222 TFEU might be activated, and what is the threshold which would have to be exceeded for this to happen?
- 2. How is the extent to which the mutual assistance clauses in the event of cyber threats might be used being examined at the Council's behest, and who is in charge of this?
- 3. What events have been held as part of the strategic dialogue, and who have these been conducted by?