

**Question for written answer E-002805/2021
to the Commission**

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Subject: Measures to protect against cybercrime in a time of increasing digitalisation

The digital sector has been significantly boosted in all areas due to the different provisions and regulations adopted by the Member States in light of the situation caused by the coronavirus. The EU also wants to continue to promote digitalisation through various means. However, with the increase in the prevalence and expansion of digitalisation there is also an ever-increasing risk of cybercrime. There is a particular risk in many areas, such as the medical sector, infrastructure, the financial sector, the military, transport, the economy, but also media and information.

1. What measures has the European Commission taken or is it taking to improve the protection against espionage and sabotage and to safeguard data integrity?
2. In the case of cybercrime originating outside of the EU, to what extent has it been and is it being prosecuted and sanctioned?