Question for written answer E-005031/2021 to the Commission Rule 138 Özlem Demirel (The Left)

Subject: EU-Egypt Migration Dialogue

In 2017, the EU and Egypt launched the EU-Egypt Migration Dialogue, the last official meeting of which took place in July 2019. In October 2021, Egypt's President Abdel Fattah el-Sisi visited Hungary on the occasion of a Visegrád summit, where the issue of irregular migration was one of the priorities.

- Since the last EU-Egypt Migration Dialogue in July 2019, what specific projects or measures have been implemented within this framework by the EU in Egypt or jointly with the Egyptian authorities or been supported by EU funding? Which Egyptian or EU institutions have been involved and in what way, especially in direct or indirect cooperation with the National Coordination Committee to Combat and Prevent Illegal Migration and Trafficking in Persons (NCCPIM&TIP) and the Police Academy in Cairo?
- 2. Does the Commission intend to act on demands made by the Visegrád countries in the wake of the summit for closer cooperation with Egypt on migration issues, together with a relaxation of export restrictions on border protection technologies? What measures are being planned in the context of the EU-Egypt Migration Dialogue for 2022?
- 3. Given that the EASO is engaged in capacity-building activities for the benefit of the Egyptian authorities, in what way is it involved in the current drafting of a related Egyptian asylum law? What capacity-building has been carried out by EASO and for which Egyptian authorities since 2017? What costs have been incurred as a result, and what activities are planned for 2022?