

**Question for written answer E-001276/2022/rev.1  
to the Commission**

Rule 138

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Subject: 'Golden passports' for Russians and Belarusians

On 28 March 2022, the Commission called on the Member States to revoke citizenships granted under 'golden passport' schemes to Russians and Belarusians who have been sanctioned in connection with the war in Ukraine.

This is a much overdue but positive initiative. The criminals and oligarchs who support the criminals in the Kremlin have used 'golden passports' for years to pursue Russia's goals and build their own wealth.

However, the Commission has not stated how many 'golden passports' have been issued. In light of the above:

1. Does the Commission have the information on how many Russians and Belarusians have received 'golden passports'?
2. How many 'golden passports' have been granted to Russians and Belarusians by individual Member States over the past 20 years?