

**Question for written answer E-002899/2022
to the Commission**

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Subject: Closure of the Border Police Station in Cetingrad (Croatia), which was financed through IPA funding

The Border Police Station in Cetingrad, Croatia, displays a sign indicating it is funded by EU funds from the Instrument for Pre-Accession (IPA).

1. Can the Commission confirm that the Border Police Station in Cetingrad, which was built in January 2018, received IPA funding, and explain the reasoning for funding this project in Croatia, as the last disbursement of IPA funds for Croatian EU accession took place in 2013?
2. Could the Commission provide an overview of all IPA I, II or III projects in which funding is granted to EU Member State border management authorities or spent on their territory for border management?
3. In what way does the Commission consider funding of the Croatian border police to contribute to assisting an accession country to progressively align with EU standards, policies and the *acquis*, which is the objective of the IPA as established in Article 1 of Council Regulation No 1085/2006?