

**Question for written answer E-001598/2023
to the Commission**
Rule 138
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Subject: Uncontrolled increase in illegal entries to the European Union by immigrants in 2023

According to the reports published by Frontex, entries to the territory of the EU by illegal immigrants have increased by 30% compared to 2022. Frontex detected over 80 000 illegal entries in the opening months of 2023.

At a time when a lack of law and order in the streets and a dramatic rise in certain crimes are instilling fear in our citizens, and when almost 13 million Europeans find themselves unemployed and many families can barely manage until the end of the month, the EU is facing a new uncontrolled avalanche of illegal immigrants who put at risk our way of living as Europeans.

In light of this situation that VOX has been speaking out against for some time:

1. Does the Commission think new measures need to be taken, in coordination with the Member States, to stop this avalanche, protect the EU's external borders and look out for our citizens' way of life?
2. Does it think measures need to be promoted to boost the protection of the EU's external borders such as, for example, financing border barriers and fences to deal with this wave of migration?
3. Does it think measures need to be taken to boost the actual implementation of return decisions to make them more effective?

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