

**Question for written answer E-001903/2023
to the Commission**

Rule 138

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Subject: EU HYDEF air and missile defence programme

The EU hypersonic missile defence (HYDEF) project, financed by the European Defence Fund, will develop a European missile interceptor with the target of tackling threats from 2035 onwards.

- 1) Will the project include the construction, testing and assessment of prototypes and, if so, could the Commission precisely describe each of the planned prototypes?
- 2) What threats from 2035 onwards are being considered under the project?
- 3) What are the specific technological requirements of the components of the space-based theatre surveillance system?

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