

**Question for written answer E-000023/2024
to the Commission**
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Subject: The need for a common position on Eurofighter

It seems we have got used to Erdoğan's changes of direction: first he's attacking the German chancellor in Berlin, and the week after, he's playing the nice guy towards the Greek Prime Minister in Athens. However, his climb-down is no accident. Erdoğan is teetering on a tightrope between the EU, NATO, the USA and Israel. He has unfinished business with Syria, Iraq, Libya, and Armenia, so he wants to show that he has turned over a new leaf.

His aim is to win favourable treatment from Europe and the USA and get the fighter jets he needs. If his efforts to acquire F16s are unsuccessful, he'll try his luck with a European fighter jet, the Eurofighter. So far, we have seen a positive attitude in Spain and the UK, while Germany has certain objections and Italy has not adopted a position.

Everyone knows these fighter jets could potentially be used to threaten Cyprus and Greece.

In view of this:

1. What action is the Commission taking to ensure a common stance among the Member States that are co-producers of Eurofighter?
2. Is it assessing the risks entailed in the sale to third countries of military equipment that could be used against EU Member States?

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