

**Question for written answer E-000514/2024  
to the Council**

Rule 138

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Subject: EUNAVFOR ASPIDES military operation

Decided on by the EU's Member States on 8 February 2024, the EUNAVFOR ASPIDES military operation will deploy EU Member State warships to the Red Sea to protect cargo vessels, working in close cooperation with Operation Prosperity Guardian. The assignment is intended to be defensive in nature.

1. Will the assignment involve sharing maritime situational awareness data with Operation Prosperity Guardian?
2. Could this data also be used for offensive operations?

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