

**Question for written answer P-009650/2013  
to the Council**  
Rule 117  
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Subject: Possible use of British bases in Cyprus for launching airstrikes

Over the last 24 hours, the possibility of launching airstrikes against Syria from British bases in Cyprus has been the subject of intense deliberations.

Such an action would effectively challenge the sovereignty of the Republic of Cyprus and be in open breach of its Treaty of Establishment.

Cyprus, which has in the past shown itself to be a bastion of security and stability in the region, should not in any way be implicated in any future intervention on Syrian territory.

What view does the Council take of this?