Question for written answer P-005214/2017 to the Commission Rule 130 Jill Seymour (EFDD)

Subject: Exit and entry checks in and out of the Schengen area

With the implementation of Regulation (EU) 2017/458 by some Member States during the peak time of travel, when holidaymakers are attempting to reach their destinations in order to satisfy their desire to start their annual holiday, it has become apparent that the new enhanced security checks have caused unnecessary delays.

In light of the recent terror attacks in London, Paris, Brussels and Nice, and in other cities and towns in the EU, it is essential to ensure that all law-abiding citizens and subjects of the Member States can go about their daily business without the fear of death or injury.

In view of recitals 8, 10 and 11 and Article 1(2a) of Regulation (EU) 2017/458:

- 1. In light of the problems that have arisen with regard to the implementation of the regulation, will the Commission bring forward its evaluation of the implementation and consequences before 8 April 2019? If not, why not?
- 2. In respect of Article 1(2a), what risk assessments, if any, where undertaken by Spain, France and Belgium?
- 3. Why where there not enough resources in place when Member States implemented this regulation during a peak travel season? Given that there was clearly an impact on the flow of traffic, why did the Member States not implement Article 1(2a)?

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