

**Priority question for written answer P-004031/2022
to the Vice-President of the Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs
and Security Policy**

Rule 138

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Subject: Proposal for a Council Decision (CFSP) 2022/1272 of 21 July 2022 amending Decision 2014/145/CFSP

On 21 July 2022, the Council adopted Council Decision (CFSP) 2022/1272, in which it decided, among other measures, to add 48 persons and nine entities responsible for acts that undermine or threaten the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine to the list of persons, entities and bodies subject to restrictive measures. The list of those persons, entities and bodies is set out in the Annex to Decision 2014/145/CFSP. The list of persons who undermine or threaten the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine and who are subject to restrictive measures includes a citizen of the Slovak Republic, Jozef Hambálek (date of birth: 14 March 1972), has been included under reference number 1205. The state authorities of the Slovak Republic have distanced themselves from the inclusion of Jozef Hambálek on the sanctions list and are said to have had no involvement in this inclusion.

In view of the above:

1. Who initiated the inclusion of Jozef Hambálek on the above sanctions list?
2. On the basis of what documents, evidence or other facts was Mr Hambálek proposed for inclusion on the sanctions list?
3. Has anyone checked the veracity of the evidence used to propose that Jozef Hambálek be placed on the sanctions list? If so, who?

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