

**Priority question for written answer P-000828/2024
to the Commission**

Rule 138

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Subject: Sea rescue equipment being dropped by air

Frontex has stated that it has aircraft that can be used to drop rescue boats or life rafts from the air. EMSA was previously considering equipping drones with the same kind of sea rescue equipment.

1. Which aircraft or drones, that are used by Frontex or EMSA, could currently be deployed to drop rescue equipment at sea by air, and which companies manufacture them?
2. How many of these aircraft or drones are equipped with how much rescue equipment of this nature, and how many people in distress at sea are they designed to rescue?
3. What procurements are planned by EMSA or Frontex for aircraft or drones that can be used to drop rescue equipment from the air?

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