Question for written answer E-014935/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 Neena Gill (S&D)

Subject: Trafficking of illegal arms

Following terrorist attacks in Paris, the Commission launched a package of measures to make it more difficult to acquire firearms in the European Union.

The Commission also announced that it will prepare an action plan against the illegal trafficking of weapons and explosives, including with regard to weapons entering the EU from former Yugoslavia.

According to media, an important route for illegal trade in weapons furthermore involves countries located further east in the EU's neighbourhood, including more specifically Moldova.

- 1. What measures does the Commission intend to take to ensure that the action plan will be implemented in third countries, including EU candidate countries and states covered by the European Neighbourhood Policy?
- 2. Is the Commission aware of trafficking of weapons and nuclear material via Moldova, and what is its assessment of reports that the Moldovan government has obstructed investigations into the issue?

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