Question for written answer E-014531/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 Catherine Bearder (ALDE)

Subject: Funding for jihadist groups

The US Senate's report on 9/11 alluded to individuals funding jihadist groups by using legitimate financial institutions to facilitate money transfers. A number of those individuals outside the EU use legitimate EU entities to facilitate transfers to proscribed jihadist groups, or charities and entities linked to jihadist groups.

What measures is the Commission taking to track and scrutinise inflows of money from individuals outside the EU using EU lawyers, accountants and banks to fund charities and groups about whom there are reasonable grounds to suspect connections to jihadist groups within the EU and beyond?

What measures is it taking to monitor inflows of money from individuals outside the EU who use EU lawyers, accountants and banks to funds those Wahhabist mosques, madrassas and charities both within the EU and beyond for which there are reasonable grounds to believe are linked to jihadist causes?

What measures is it taking to alert and hold to account the authorities in the countries in which individuals linked with the funding of jihadist groups live, applying pressure on those authorities to prosecute individuals found to be supporting jihadist groups or charities about whom there are reasonable grounds to suspect connections to jihadist groups?

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