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to the Commission**
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Because of the air disaster over Sinai, the majority of EU airlines have halted flights there and travel operators have ceased to sell travel packages.

What view does the Commission take of the security situation at Sharm el-Sheikh airport and in Egypt generally? As we all know, there are also tourist resorts elsewhere in Egypt. Does the Commission consider the security situation at other Egyptian airports to be better?

Bearing in mind that the danger of terrorism has grown in the world at large, is the EU planning to step up aviation security measures in any way?

Might it not be sensible to adopt a general consular alert system in the EU? Some EU Member States, including EU representations, have a greater capacity for assessing the local situation in various countries, so would not an EU-wide travel alert system be more effective and rational?