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to the Commission**

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Subject: German resettlement programmes for Afghans

It has come to light that Afghan nationals with unknown identities and insufficient security vetting are being flown into Germany under its resettlement programme for local Afghan staff and their families¹. This raises serious security concerns for the Schengen Area.

Reports suggest that some individuals may not be Afghan nationals at all, but rather agents of Pakistani intelligence services or extremist sympathisers². Additionally, the role of NGOs in this process raises questions about the outsourcing of sovereign security functions.

I seek clarification on the following:

1. Schengen security risks: how does the Commission assess the potential security risks posed by inadequately vetted individuals entering the Schengen Area?
2. NGO oversight: what safeguards ensure that NGOs involved in resettlement do not encroach on sovereign state security responsibilities?
3. Compliance with EU security policies: is the German Government's handling of this programme fully aligned with EU counterterrorism and Schengen security standards?

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¹ <https://www.businessinsider.de/politik/verfassungsschutz-warnt-missbrauchsgefahr-durch-afghanistan-aufnahmeprogramm/>.

² https://www.focus.de/politik/deutschland/beamte-packen-aus-wirbel-um-afghanen-flug-behoerden-wollen-dna-tests-baerbock-ministerium-verbietet-sie_e7980025-3b9e-42ce-bde9-33958c9b7085.html.