

Question for written answer E-004572/2025
to the Commission
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Subject: Details on Frontex Quick Reaction Force

Frontex, the European Border and Coast Guard Agency, is planning to set up a new response force known as the Quick Reaction Force (QRF), which is to be deployed in rapidly-changing situations at the external borders. Alongside border control operations, the force is also to assist with major international events such as sporting occasions, summits and UN conferences. The QRF forms part of the standing reserve under the direct command of Frontex and is divided into a European intervention reserve (E-QRF) with permanently stationed forces and a contingent reserve (C-QRF) with staff deployable at short notice. So far, no specific details on staff numbers or deployment sites have been published, despite the fact that up to 15 per cent of the staff already stationed in operational areas are to become part of the C-QRF.

1. How many staff in total are to be assigned to the force and how are they to be divided between the E-QRF and the C-QRF?
2. With which Member States is Frontex negotiating locations for the force's base and possible areas for its barracks, and which Member States have already expressed interest?
3. What role could the QRF play in major international events such as sporting occasions, summits or UN conferences, and what equipment (e.g. for crowd control) will Frontex provide in such cases?

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