

(English version)

Question for written answer E-002409/25
to the Commission
Özlem Demirel (The Left)
(16 June 2025)

Subject: Return brochure for children and young people

In 2023, the European Border and Coast Guard Agency (Frontex) published a brochure titled ‘My guidebook on return’ to prepare children, young people and unaccompanied minors for their removal. Until recently widely overlooked, the illustrated publication trivialises the coercive measure of deportation with child-friendly language and colourful images, as if it were an exciting adventure.

1. Who was tasked respectively with producing, designing, translating and printing the brochure, and what resources were spent on it?
2. When, in what volume and in which languages were the brochures published, and where are they handed out in printed form?
3. How does Frontex respond to the criticism that the brochure does not speak openly about the return process, thus concealing the reality of the often traumatising measures?

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Answer given by Mr Brunner on behalf of the European Commission
(22 July 2025)

As the question falls under the responsibility of the European Border and Coast Guard Agency (Frontex), the Commission has asked the Agency to provide a response to the question raised by the Honourable Member. The Commission will send the Agency’s reply to the Honourable Member as soon as possible.

See annexes: Annex 1, Annex 2.
