

**Question for written answer E-001286/2024
to the Commission**

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Subject: Migration agreements with non-EU countries: the Commission's plans

Since 2016, the Commission has entered into cooperation agreements in the field of migration with Türkiye, Tunisia and Egypt. These agreements raise serious concerns regarding the use of EU funds for regimes deemed undemocratic where serious violations of migrants' rights have been widely documented. We are very disappointed that these agreements do not provide for the involvement of and scrutiny by Parliament, or any fundamental rights impact assessments.

Vice-President of the Commission Schinas¹ recently made statements regarding a possible similar agreement with Lebanon and a visit by Commission President Von der Leyen has been announced². We also understand similar talks may begin with Morocco. In addition, the Commission proposed sending EUR 500 million to Jordan for macro-financial assistance, which we believe may be a first step towards a similar agreement.

1. Can the Commission confirm that it plans to conclude a cooperation agreement with Lebanon and whether the visit in May aims to advance talks in that regard?
2. Will this agreement follow the model of similar previous agreements in terms of scope and funding?
3. What are the Commission's plans regarding potential future agreements, including with Morocco and Jordan?

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¹ <https://www.reuters.com/world/after-eu-migrant-deal-with-egypt-lebanon-also-possible-eu-commissioner-says-2024-03-22/>.

² <https://www.msn.com/en-us/news/world/president-and-von-der-leyen-to-go-on-joint-visit-to-lebanon-to-discuss-migration-issue/ar-BB1IOs1j>.