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## Russia - arms exports

### Cancellation of Mistral deal long overdue

Commenting on the decision by the French president to temporarily suspend the delivery of two aircraft carriers to Russia, Greens/EFA co-president **Rebecca Harms** said:

*"This decision was long overdue. The Greens have been calling for a halt to all arms exports to Russia for months. EU member states simply cannot supply weapons to Russia at a time when the territorial integrity of Ukraine, as well as the security of the European continent, is under threat. It seems Francois Hollande has also finally understood that these aircraft carriers could be used in the context of a military invasion, for example in Odessa.*

*"Other EU countries should follow suit. Germany should stop the sale of the gas company DEA to a Russian oligarch. Austria should not make exceptions for any banking activities from sanctions."*

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