

**Question for written answer E-000036/2025
to the Vice-President of the Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign
Affairs and Security Policy**

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Subject: New Turkish provocations

Türkiye has engaged in further provocative actions following the recent statements by Turkish officials concerning the impending signature of an EEZ delimitation agreement between Ankara and Damascus. After the signing of the unlawful and legally baseless Turkish-Libyan memorandum in November 2019, which violates the sovereign rights of Greece and the European Union, Türkiye, exploiting the lack of legitimate government in Syria, is intensifying its efforts to gain control over the wider area, causing serious concerns over the stability of the Eastern Mediterranean.

In particular, the Turkish government declares that it is ready to sign an agreement with the transitional regime in Syria on the delimitation of the maritime jurisdiction zones between them. This provocative stance, which is a direct threat to the sovereign rights of the Republic of Cyprus and the EU, also shows a complete lack of respect for international law, which Türkiye repeatedly and deliberately infringes.

I therefore ask the Vice-President of the Commission/High Representative of the Union on Foreign Affairs and Security Policy:

1. Does she intend to take immediate preventive measures to avoid a repeat of the illegal situation created by the signing of the Turkish-Libyan cooperation memorandum?
2. How does she intend to put pressure on Türkiye to comply with international law, given that the actions by Türkiye constitute a threat and a direct violation of the sovereign rights of EU Member States?

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