

Question for written answer E-000837/2025

to the Vice-President of the Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy

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Subject: Countering Russian influence and defending democracy in Georgia

The worsening democratic conditions in Georgia and alleged efforts to shift the country into Russia's sphere of influence threaten EU foreign policy and Eastern Partnership stability. Addressing these challenges with urgency is essential to preserving EU values and strategic interests. Parliament's resolution of 28 November 2024 on Georgia's worsening democratic crisis following the recent parliamentary elections and alleged electoral fraud calls for targeted sanctions and requires immediate implementation. Given its significance to the common foreign and security policy and the Strategic Compass for Security and Defence, decisive action is necessary to uphold democracy, the rule of law and Georgia's European aspirations.

1. What measures is the Vice-President of the Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (VP/HR), in coordination with the Council and the Commission, taking to ensure the effective implementation of Parliament's resolution?
2. How is the EU coordinating with the Member States to enforce sanctions on designated individuals, including freezing Bidzina Ivanishvili's assets, and preventing Georgia from possibly facilitating any sanctions evasion that undermines EU restrictions on Russia?
3. In the light of recent political developments in Georgia, can the VP/HR confirm that the EU will continue to uphold a policy of non-recognition towards the self-appointed authorities of Georgia and reaffirm its recognition of President Salome Zourabishvili as the sole legitimate representative of Georgia?

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