

**Question for written answer E-003307/2022  
to the Commission**  
Rule 138  
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Subject: Review of the Eastern Partnership in the light of recent developments

At its meeting on 23-24 June, the European Council decided to grant the status of EU candidate country to the Republic of Moldova and to Ukraine. In its conclusions, the European Council also confirmed it was ready to grant the same status to Georgia, once the priorities specified in the Commission's opinion of 17 June 2022 have been addressed<sup>1</sup>.

This decision will require major adjustments to the European Neighbourhood Policy as a whole in the region and will cause a shift in the EU's relations with three of the six Eastern Partnership countries.

The new status for the Republic of Moldova and for Ukraine, as well as Belarus' decision to suspend its participation in the Eastern Partnership from 28 June 2021, mean the partnership's purpose and aims have significantly changed. It appears that the partnership no longer serves its original function and a review should be considered.

What action is the Commission planning to take to review the Eastern Partnership in order to take account of this new situation?

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.consilium.europa.eu/en/policies/eastern-partnership/>