

**Question for written answer E-003004/2024
to the Commission**
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Subject: The EU must ensure stability

Given the concerns about a large-scale military operation in Kurdish-controlled territories in north-east Syria mounted by the forces that seized control of Damascus with Türkiye's support, can the Commission answer the following:

1. How does it view recent indications and reports that Türkiye is preparing to launch military operations and that its own special forces are directly involved, threatening to destabilise Syria and the wider region once again?
2. Bearing in mind that Türkiye has repeatedly proven itself to be an unreliable partner both of the EU and of NATO, what steps does the Commission plan to take to avert yet another crisis that will undermine security, intensify flows of people seeking humanitarian assistance and lead Syria into further chaos just as attempts are being made to normalise the situation in the country?
3. What is the Commission doing to protect Syrian Christians and minorities?

Stability in the region is vital to European security and actions that violate international law cannot go on being tolerated.

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