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Subject: Measures taken by the European Ports Alliance since its establishment last year

On 24 January 2024, the Commission, along with the Belgian Presidency of the EU, launched the European Ports Alliance. The alliance, which brings together a number of European ports, was presented as a means to step up ports' ability to turn the tide on organised crime.

Cocaine trafficking is increasingly common in France and across Europe: in France, seizures rose from 13 tonnes to 23.2 tonnes between 2020 and 2023. The Port of Antwerp seized 116 tonnes in 2023. Authorities are struggling to respond to the crisis, leaving ports under the control of criminal gangs.

Against this backdrop:

1. What is the Commission's view of the measures put in place by the European Ports Alliance to tackle organised crime during its first year?

2. At a time when the most basic surveillance and monitoring rules are being flouted at Europe's ports, including those in France, what will the Commission do to re-establish the necessary checks?

3. How is the Commission working with European shipowners to combat this trafficking in our ports?

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