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

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Subject: EU action in response to the illegal activities of the Houthi movement in the Red Sea

On 5 March 2025, the United States imposed sanctions on seven high-ranking members of the Iran-affiliated Houthi movement in Yemen. According to a statement by the US Department of the Treasury, these individuals smuggled military items and weapon systems into Houthi-controlled areas of Yemen and negotiated weapons procurement from Russia.

The US Department of the Treasury also imposed sanctions on Abdulwali Abdoh Hasan Al-Jabri and his company, Al-Jabri General Trading and Investment Co, for recruiting Yemeni citizens to fight in Ukraine on behalf of Russia and for raising funds to support Houthi military operations.

In view of the Houthis' continuous attacks on ships owned by companies from European countries, such as Denmark and Greece, will the Vice-President of the Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy say:

1. How does the EU assess the sanctions on the Houthi movement imposed by the US?
2. Does the EU intend to work with the US to put an end to the Houthis' illegal activities, ensuring that ships serving European interests can safely navigate in the Red Sea?

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