

Question for written answer E-001352/2025
to the Commission
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Subject: Poland's security in the context of European defence

Point 23 of the European Council conclusions of 20 March 2025 stresses 'the specific character of the security and defence policy of certain Member States, and takes into account the security and defence interests of all Member States, in accordance with the Treaties'.

In addition, the European Parliament resolution of 12 March 2025 on the White Paper on the future of European defence, in paragraph 66, calls for 'the creation of a council of defence ministers and for the move from unanimity to qualified majority voting for decisions in the European Council, the Council of Ministers and EU agencies'.

There is a good deal of controversy around the issue of how the EU institutions will interpret these provisions. Given the attitude of Western European countries which, despite the calls from the countries of my region in the period before Russia's full-scale aggression, continued to pursue their interests with the Russian Federation, I would like to ask the Commission:

1. What guarantees does the Commission intend to give those countries which are particularly at risk, such as Poland and other frontline states, if Western European countries take a different stance on security questions?
2. In the Commission's view, in the event of a threat from the Russian Federation, will Member States such as Poland be free to make decisions on their security and on the actions of their national armed forces?
3. What action does the Commission intend to take to minimise any potential threats to the interests of Poland and other countries bordering the aggressor?

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