

Question for written answer E-001498/2025
to the Commission
Rule 144
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Subject: Denunciation of statements by the President of Azerbaijan in support of the illegal separatist entity in Cyprus and the intention to recognise it

Against the backdrop of an international conference at ADA University in Baku, the President of Azerbaijan made public statements of support for the separatist formation in the occupied territories of the Republic of Cyprus - a Member State of the European Union. He explicitly expressed his intention to support the 'independence' of the so-called 'Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus' and the active cooperation of his country towards precisely this end.

This position violates the relevant UN Security Council resolutions (in particular Resolutions 541 and 550), international law and the EU's fundamental principles of respect for the sovereignty and territorial integrity of its Member States.

In view of this:

1. How does the Commission assess the statements of the President of Azerbaijan in the light of international law and EU-Azerbaijan relations?
2. Does the Commission intend to raise this issue formally as a red line in the EU's political dialogue with Azerbaijan?
3. What measures does the Commission intend to put in place to protect the sovereignty of the Republic of Cyprus and to prevent similar actions by non-EU countries in future?

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