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to the Commission
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Subject: Equal funding for Greece's borders in relation to the rest of Europe's eastern border

The President of the European Commission, Ursula von der Leyen, recently addressed the need to support the EU's eastern borders. It goes without saying that any European funding for border protection and guarding should also pertain to the eastern and southern borders of Greece, which span from Evros to Kastellorizo and from Kastellorizo to Crete.

As a member of the European Parliament's Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs and Committee on Budgets, I have repeatedly stressed the importance of this issue, as Türkiye has not lifted its *casus belli* against Greece. At the same time, Türkiye is targeting my country with actions outside international law, such as the illegal Turkish-Libyan memorandum of understanding. What is more, in 2024 the European Parliament's Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs recognised for the first time the need to protect and guard Europe's eastern borders.

In this context, it is worth noting that the threat does not only come from Russia. Türkiye threatens the territorial integrity of Greece, directly or indirectly, on a continuous basis, as also expressed by representatives of the Turkish State.

In view of the above, can the European Commission say:

1. Will all eastern European borders be funded as a whole?
2. Given the urgent need to safeguard Europe in its entirety, will it provide corresponding funding for the EU's south-eastern borders, so that they can be strengthened equitably to those in the north?

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