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Subject: Violence against the Druze in Suwayda and the EU's stance on the Syrian transitional authorities

In July 2025, the Druze-majority Suwayda province of Syria was the site of coordinated violence perpetrated by government forces and Sunni Bedouin tribes, resulting in over 1 400 deaths and mass displacement. Credible reports confirm extrajudicial executions, property destruction and the deliberate targeting of medical facilities. The violence mirrors earlier atrocities committed against the Alawites and the Druze, revealing a pattern of sectarian cleansing by forces loyal to the Syrian transitional government under Ahmed al-Sharaa.

Instead of pursuing accountability, the Syrian transitional government has sidelined the Druze in the political transition, excluding them from parliamentary selection processes. Humanitarian access to Suwayda remains sporadic, and the region is under de facto siege.

Given the EU's past support for Syria's transition, the current trajectory raises urgent questions:

1. Does the Commission consider the Syrian transitional government a credible partner, given the mounting evidence of sectarian atrocities?
2. What mechanisms will the EU activate to ensure that humanitarian aid can reach the Druze in Suwayda unhindered?

Immediate clarity is essential to prevent the further legitimisation of a regime complicit in ethnic and sectarian violence.

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