

Question for written answer E-004509/2025
to the Commission
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Subject: Concerns about Moldova's economic growth

On 10 November 2025 it was announced that this year inflation in Moldova has exceeded 6 % and there has been significant contraction in key economic sectors.¹ On 12 November it was also announced that the IMF has blocked the payment of a tranche of USD 170 million intended for the country. This amount had, however, already been incorporated into the national budget and halting the payment has therefore led to a financial shortfall.² Dr Veaceslav Ionita, a well-known expert on Moldova, notes that the country is in a recession comparable with the worst period experienced during the collapse of the former Soviet Union.³ In view of this:

1. How is it possible for the country to have ended up in a recession in spite of all the financial support received from the EU?
2. What will the Commission do if this trend continues and possibly deteriorates further?
3. Is the country's economic development a decisive factor for its accession to the EU?

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¹ <https://www.infotag.md/finances-en/327967/>.

² <https://tv8.md/2025/11/11/video-fmi-a-blocat-o-transa-de-aproape-3-miliarde-de-lei-pentru-moldova-deputat-pas-bugetul-de-stat-nu-e-in-pericol/292171>.

³ <https://point.md/ru/novosti/ekonomika/ionitse-moldova-ofitsial-no-voshla-v-retsessiiu-samoe-tiazhioloe-ekonomicheskoe-padenie-s-90-kh/>.