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Subject: Opening on European soil of Chinese companies free of governance and supply chain obligations

In recent years, Chinese direct investment in Europe has grown significantly: more than 3 000 companies active in strategic sectors – including energy, logistics, technology, components and electric vehicles – are controlled or owned by Chinese groups. Many of these companies operate in Member States, benefiting from public incentives and access to the single market, yet fail to uphold European standards on transparency, corporate governance and supply chain traceability.

Some subsidiaries lack a clear separation between industrial and political control and appear to be linked to state-owned or Chinese Government-backed groups. These conditions may distort competition, enable social dumping and pose risks to the EU's economic and technological security.

In the light of the above:

1. Will the Commission introduce binding transparency and governance requirements, similar to those imposed on European companies, for non-EU companies established in the single market?
2. Does it consider it appropriate to make full supply chain traceability mandatory for operators from third countries?
3. What supervisory measures for foreign direct investment does the Commission plan to step up to prevent non-EU government-controlled companies from operating in strategic sectors without reciprocity obligations?

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