

**Question for written answer E-001646/2026
to the Commission**
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Subject: Strengthening EU security by addressing the use of Russian SIM cards in hybrid warfare activities

Recent reports indicate that Russian SIM cards are being utilised as tools for military and intelligence operations.

According to Ukrainian officials, these cards enable Russian forces to guide drones and missiles with high precision by using local cellular infrastructure and roaming services, as well as EU roaming close to the EU border.

Furthermore, they enable the bypassing of Western sanctions on Russian digital services and communication tracking.

In the light of these security concerns:

1. Is the Commission aware of the specific role Russian SIM cards play in coordinating military strikes and enabling hybrid warfare activities within the EU and its neighbourhood?
2. Does the Commission have a comprehensive strategy for countering these Russian tactics, such as implementing an EU-wide ban on Russian SIM cards or terminating all remaining roaming agreements with Russian telecommunications providers to step up collective security?
3. Since the Russian Federation has already blocked network access for millions of SIM cards from EU Member States, why has the EU not yet taken equivalent steps?

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