

**Question for written answer E-002046/2026
to the Commission**
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Subject: Detection of military unmanned surface vessel (USV) in Lefkada and gaps in European maritime surveillance

According to recent reports, an unmanned surface vessel was detected in the maritime area of Lefkada, Greece. It appears to be a Ukrainian Magura V5 fitted with communication equipment, sensors and explosives. The competent authorities are investigating its route and the reason for its presence there¹². The incident raises serious questions about the ability to quickly identify small military or potentially dangerous unmanned systems in maritime zones of the Union, the presence of which may result in Member States becoming involved in wars going on elsewhere.

The EU has already developed tools to enhance maritime surveillance and information sharing, such as CISE, EUROSUR and the revised European Maritime Security Strategy, to improve situational awareness in the European maritime domain³⁴.

In view of the above, can the Commission answer the following:

1. What is its assessment of the incident in the light of surveillance and the need to identify small unmanned military systems?
2. Does it intend to strengthen CISE and EUROSUR so that they can respond more effectively to threats from USVs, unmanned vessels and hybrid maritime systems?
3. Will it consider establishing a European protocol for immediate notification and coordination in such cases?

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¹ <https://www.kathimerini.gr/politics/amyna/564216031/leykada-to-oykraniko-drone-efialtis-gia-ton-rosiko-stolo/>

² <https://gr.euronews.com/my-europe/2026/05/10/zhtountai-apanthseis-thalassio-drone-vrethike-leukada>

³ https://oceans-and-fisheries.ec.europa.eu/maritime-security/common-information-sharing-environment-cise_en

⁴ https://oceans-and-fisheries.ec.europa.eu/maritime-security/maritime-security-strategy_en