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Subject: Action by EU Commissioner Maroš Šefčovič regarding trade restrictions on goods from illegal Israeli settlements

Following recent proposals by Member States, including a joint initiative by France and Sweden, to increase EU tariffs on settlement products from the Occupied Palestinian Territories and to introduce import restrictions by requiring export licences, and given Vice President of the Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy Kaja Kallas's statement at the Foreign Affairs Council meeting on 11 May 2026 that trade-related measures fall within the portfolio of Commissioner Maroš Šefčovič, could the Commission clarify the following:

1. Is Commissioner Šefčovič currently assessing the legal and practical feasibility of introducing measures such as applying tariffs to settlement products and restricting imports by requiring export licences?

2. Have discussions taken place within the Commission regarding a potential total import ban on goods from settlements, given the 'deteriorating situation' cited by Member States?

3. What timeline does the Commission envisage for evaluating such measures, and which services within the Directorate-General for Trade will lead this assessment?

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