

Question for written answer E-002886/2026
to the Commission
Rule 144
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Subject: Consistency between EU industrial decarbonisation funding and the EU's restrictive measures: the case of ROCKWOOL

The ROCKWOOL Group continued to operate four factories in Russia following the invasion of Ukraine, until they were decreed to be under external administration in January 2026. According to its accounts, in 2025 its Russian operations made a turnover of EUR 261 million and an operating profit of EUR 78 million. Investigations by journalists have revealed that ROCKWOOL products have been supplied, via distributors, to 31 Russian ships and submarines, and that they are present in occupied Ukrainian territories, including Mariupol.

At the same time, a project to build a ROCKWOOL facility in France is receiving EUR 10.6 million in public funding under the 'decarbonisation of industry' scheme, itself co-funded to the tune of 40 per cent from by the Recovery and Resilience Facility (RRF).

1. Does the Commission run checks to ensure that recipients of decarbonisation aid reimbursed by the RRF comply with the Union's restrictive measures and have no links with the Russian war economy or the development of the occupied territories?
2. Does it consider that such a company should, in the interests of consistency in policy, be eligible for European funding, and what conditions govern the use of these funds?
3. Does it intend to publish guidelines to rule out EU industrial and decarbonisation funding for companies linked to the Russian war economy or the development of occupied territories?

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