

**Question for written answer E-003366/2026
to the Commission**
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Subject: Türkiye's military preparations, the risks to the Republic of Cyprus and the credibility of the European Union

In an official reply to the Grand National Assembly of Türkiye, the Turkish Ministry of Defence states that the necessary work is being carried out and measures are being taken against possible 'crises, tensions and war'.

The classified document which was revealed by the Nordic Monitor and is dated 10 August 2026 and signed by the Turkish Minister of Defence, Yaşar Güler¹, is of particular interest to Cyprus.

The official acknowledgement by Türkiye's Ministry of National Defence that it is taking measures in preparation even for war, constitutes a particularly worrying escalation of Türkiye's aggressive rhetoric.

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

1. How does it view Türkiye's official acknowledgement that it is taking steps to prepare for various scenarios, including war, in Cyprus and more broadly in the Eastern Mediterranean?
2. What specific measures does it intend to take in the event that Türkiye implements its plans and attacks the Republic of Cyprus?
3. How can the EU claim international credibility and geopolitical authority when it fails to take meaningful action against a candidate country that is illegally occupying the territory of one of its Member States and is now openly talking about the possibility of war?

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¹ https://cdn.sigmalive.com/uploads/280/DDLFK_1787723653.png.