

Question for written answer E-003847/2026

to the Vice-President of the Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy

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Subject: Extension of the mandate of the European Union Military Assistance Mission in Mozambique

The European Union Military Assistance Mission in Mozambique (EUMAM MOZ) plays a crucial role in strengthening the operational capabilities of the Mozambican Armed Defence Forces (FADM) to foster peace and stability in Cabo Delgado. Since September 2024, the mission has conducted over 40 training programmes benefiting 1 200 personnel, adding to a total of approximately 2 000 soldiers trained over the past two years across more than 70 capacity-building initiatives.

While the Council extended the mission's mandate until 31 December 2026, the Mozambican authorities have expressed their intention to seek a further two-year extension. Continued European engagement is vital to consolidating the FADM's Quick Reaction Forces, supporting their operational cycle, maintenance and logistics, and ensuring their long-term sustainability and self-sufficiency.

In light of this:

1. Does the Vice-President of the Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy intend to propose an extension of the mandate of EUMAM MOZ beyond 31 December 2026, and is the European External Action Service currently engaged in active work or negotiations to prepare such an extension?
2. If there is currently no intention to propose an extension beyond December 2026, what strategic, operational or political assessments underpin this position, and how does the EU plan to ensure that the capacity-building gains achieved with the FADM remain sustainable?

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