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Subject: Implementation of the Pact on Migration and Asylum and protection of Hungary's external borders

The previous Hungarian government made significant efforts to protect the European Union's external borders and prevent illegal border crossings, including by building and operating the border fence. In addition to this, Hungary proposed the creation of an EU-funded asylum centre in Libya, and in 2017 it offered EUR 35 million, together with the other countries of the Visegrád Group, to fund border-protection measures extending from Libya to Europe.

The European Commission recently reiterated that it was engaged in close dialogue with the new Hungarian government, including in relation to migration, and during which the Pact on Migration and Asylum has started to be applied. It is therefore important to clear up the reconciliation that is currently taking place in relation to implementation of the Pact.

Furthermore, in June 2024 the Court of Justice of the European Union fined Hungary a lump sum of EUR 200 million, or EUR 1 million a day, as the result of a previous judgment relating to fulfilment of the Union's asylum obligations. It is therefore also justified to clarify the conditions under which enforcement of the fine could stop.

I would therefore like the Commission to answer the following questions:

1. What is the current status of the reconciliation between the European Commission and the Hungarian government concerning implementation of the Pact on Migration and Asylum, and on what specific issues is this reconciliation taking place?
2. What conditions would need to be met in order for the European Commission to refrain from enforcing the daily fine imposed on Hungary in relation to the protection of its external borders?

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