

Priority question for written answer P-002111/2026

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

Rule 144

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Subject: Türkiye's 'Blue Homeland' bill and the threat to Member States' sovereign rights

According to reports¹², Türkiye is preparing a bill to formally enshrine the 'Blue Homeland' dogma in law³⁴⁵⁶, which openly calls into question the sovereign rights of Greece and Cyprus, against the principles of the Law of the Sea and of the UN. In doing so, Türkiye aims to unilaterally enshrine in law Turkish sea claims in the Aegean and the Eastern Mediterranean.

The Union must assess whether this constitutes a further escalation, since it gives rise to the arbitrary and unofficial creation of a Turkish EEZ in the Eastern Aegean and the maritime area between Crete and Cyprus. This EEZ would be controlled by the Turkish navy and coast guard.

In view of the above, can the Vice-President / High Representative answer the following:

1. What is her assessment of these efforts to formally establish the 'Blue Homeland', which trample on sovereign rights of Greece and Cyprus?
2. Does she intend to make it clear to Ankara that the adoption of such a law will have direct consequences for EU-Türkiye relations, including financial tools and the Customs Union?
3. Will she consider taking other political or diplomatic measures or imposing specific sanctions against Türkiye, as was done in the case of Russia when it invaded a country that is not a Member State?

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¹ <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rwILSgCgMRw&t=11s> (Haber Global)

² <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=72TJOWvZfjU&t=14s> (CNN Türk)

³ <https://www.skai.gr/news/politics/tourkika-mme-dikaiomata-paremvasis-kai-se-perioxes-pou-den-exei-kiryksei-aosz>

⁴ <https://www.ekathimerini.com/politics/foreign-policy/1303665/turkeys-blue-homeland-bill-to-be-ready-in-june-sources-say/>

⁵ <https://en.politis.com.cy/news/world/1005166/turkish-defence-ministry-says-blue-homeland-bill-is-in-final-stages>

⁶ <https://www.newsbreak.gr/geopolitiki-amyna/1007808/milliyet-nomos-galazias-patridas-kamia-drasi-sto-aigaio-choris-tin-egkrisi-tis-toyrkias/>