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Answer given by High Representative/Vice-President Kallas
on behalf of the European Commission
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Respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms is inscribed in the Algerian Constitution and constitutes a key element of EU-Algeria relations, as enshrined in the Association Agreement¹ and reinforced in the Partnership Priorities².

Human rights and fundamental freedoms, including freedom of religion or belief, are addressed during the regular EU-Algeria political, security and human rights dialogue.

The EU financial assistance to Algeria does not entail direct transfer of funds to Algerian public authorities. The EU finances projects implemented in the country by international organisations, European public bodies and development agencies, private companies and civil society organisations. The EU financial assistance is framed by programming documents³ and all projects are subject to monitoring missions during their implementation and to audits ensuring that funds are used to the agreed purpose and according to the agreed procedures.

¹ <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/ALL/?uri=CELEX%3A22005A1010%2801%29>

² <https://www.consilium.europa.eu/en/press/press-releases/2017/03/13/eu-algeria/>

³ Multiannual Indicative Programme (MIP) 2021-2027: https://neighbourhood-enlargement.ec.europa.eu/document/download/18c0dcae-9074-40e0-a8ca-765abb44b281_en