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Answer given by High Representative/Vice-President Kallas
on behalf of the European Commission
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The EU does not comment on decisions of national courts.

The EU is strongly committed to international criminal justice and the fight against impunity. As such, the EU supports the International Criminal Court (ICC) and the principles set out in the Rome Statute¹, and respects the Court's independence and impartiality. In accordance with the Council conclusions adopted in 2023², the Council calls upon all States to ensure full cooperation with the Court, including by the prompt execution of outstanding arrest warrants.

The Commission continues to be very clear in its strong support to the ICC's independent and impartial work, and its efforts to ensure full accountability for the most serious crimes of international concern and the enforcement of international justice. All Member States are Parties to the Rome Statute of the ICC, and thus must follow their obligation to cooperate with the Court under the Statute.

The EU remains committed to engaging in a constructive dialogue with Libyan authorities. Continued engagement, alongside international partners, is essential to address the complex challenges related to the respect of international law and human rights in the country. Through its cooperation, the EU supports Libya's transition towards state building, stabilisation, reconstruction, and reconciliation. This includes institutional support and technical assistance in the fields of justice and the rule of law. In November 2024, the EU adopted a EUR 8 million package to support justice and rule of law systems in Libya. This action, to be contracted in 2025, aims at strengthening justice and rule of law in the country, with a focus on juvenile justice, rule of law and anti-corruption institutions.

¹ <https://www.icc-cpi.int/sites/default/files/2024-05/Rome-Statute-eng.pdf>

² Council conclusions on the International Criminal Court on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of the adoption of the Rome Statute, Brussels 26 June 2023. <https://data.consilium.europa.eu/doc/document/ST-11082-2023-INIT/en/pdf>