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Answer given by High Representative/Vice-President Kallas
on behalf of the European Commission
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The EU has supported the justice sector, transparency mechanisms, the fight against corruption, electoral reforms, strengthening the national human rights protection system (e.g. ProDerechos¹) and deployed consecutive election observation missions (EOMs). EU humanitarian assistance, focusing on people displaced, disaster preparedness and food insecurity, is channelled through international non-governmental organisations and United Nations agencies implementing projects.

The EU remains ready to support a positive national reform agenda prioritising inclusive and sustainable development. Strengthening governance, rule of law, fighting corruption and protecting human rights are paramount.

The Multi-annual Indicative Programme 2021-2027² (EUR 163 million) focuses on three priorities (sustainable management of natural resources and climate change; employment, decent work and sustainable growth; rule of law, democratic governance) and allows to maintain applicable oversight mechanisms to ensure funds are directed towards above-mentioned objectives.

Following the primary elections in March 2025, the EU clearly expressed support for the National Electoral Council, a key institution for the organisation of the general elections on 30 November 2025, and called on all state institutions to support its work as stipulated by the Honduran Constitution³.

In response to the invitation by Honduras to observe the upcoming elections, the EU will deploy an election exploratory mission six to four months before the elections. This mission will evaluate whether deployment of an EU EOM is advisable, useful and feasible. On that basis, the High Representative/Vice-President will decide on the deployment of an EOM.

¹ Programme ProDerechos Honduras, <https://www.proderechos.hn/>.

² Multi-annual Indicative Programme Programme for Honduras 2021-2027, https://international-partnerships.ec.europa.eu/countries/honduras_en.

³ *Declaración Local de la Unión Europea en Honduras*, 24 March 2025, <https://x.com/EUambHN/status/1904281667289641435/photo/1>.