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**Question for written answer E-001472/25
to the Commission
Liudas Mažylis (PPE)
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Subject: Assistance to Eastern Neighbourhood countries following the loss of USAID funding

Following severe cuts to or even the outright termination of USAID funding, many of the initiatives that were receiving support — including in the EU's Eastern Neighbourhood — have been left in a vulnerable position. The EU can and should take over some of their funding commitments.

1. Is the Commission prepared to contribute to funding the various projects and programmes in Eastern Europe that are being terminated by USAID, if so, to what extent, what amount could be allocated to this and from what specific sources?
2. How will the Commission respond to the possible suspension of humanitarian assistance to Ukraine in general, and how does the Commission plan to play a role in healthcare in the context of the conflict, in particular in the provision of prostheses for soldiers who have lost limbs?
3. Will the Commission contribute to supporting Moldova, which has received a wide range of assistance through USAID and, if so, how?

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**Answer given by Ms Kos on behalf of the European Commission
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The EU continues to monitor the impacts of the termination of the United States Agency for International Development (USAID)'s programmes as well as the US wider international support.

The EU will also continue coordinating efforts on identifying and, where possible, meeting the most acute needs and key priorities in the region, including in Ukraine and Moldova.

Regarding Ukraine, the impact has been significant in several areas including energy, capacity gaps in key institutions (where US-embedded experts were common), civil society and media, as well as social sectors (veterans' mental health and psycho-social support, and economic reintegration).

In Moldova, USAID programmes covered sectors such as justice, energy security, support to independent media, civil society and election monitoring.

The EU will continue to support Moldova in these sectors with the aim to ensure there are no gaps for key priorities, notably for vetting and justice reform as well as energy security.

The EU humanitarian funding for Ukraine and Moldova currently stands at EUR 1.214 billion (EUR 1.13 billion for Ukraine and EUR 84 million for Moldova) since February 2022.

The EU will continue its humanitarian and emergency assistance to Ukraine for as long as needed, irrespective of the cuts in funding by other major donors.

The Commission will not step back from its humanitarian commitments. On healthcare, it will continue supporting programmes related to primary healthcare, medical supplies and equipment, light repairs of health facilities, as well as sexual and reproductive health.
