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1. For reasons of confidentiality of classified information, the Commission unfortunately cannot disclose which ports and priorities are located on the EU military mobility network.

Generally, the Commission wishes to stress that ports are very important economic hubs for the arrival, departure or transshipment of both civilian and military cargo and persons. In the framework of the upcoming EU Ports Strategy, the Commission is also assessing the strategic role of ports and their fit for dual-use purpose.

2. Under the current Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF), the Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) made available EUR 1.7 billion for investment in military mobility transport infrastructure and the entire envelope was spent out in three funding calls on 95 dual-use projects in 21 Member States.

While there are currently no new calls under the existing programme, the eligibility of any future application, including from projects such as the Central Communication Port, would depend on its alignment with the relevant eligibility and award criteria established in the context of any future CEF military mobility funding.

3. The Commission's proposal for the 2028–2034 MFF includes a revamped CEF for transport with a provisional budget of EUR 51.5 billion and with a dedicated envelope of EUR 17.6 billion for dual-use infrastructure. The Commission has proposed that projects of dual-use infrastructure on four EU Priority Military Mobility Corridors identified by Member States in Annex II to the Military Requirements for Military Mobility within and beyond the Union¹, could be eligible for EU support. The proposal is now subject to negotiations in the European Parliament and the Council.

¹ as approved by the Council on 18 March 2025 and with reference ST 6728/25 ADD1.