

(English version)

**Question for written answer E-002495/25
to the Commission
Erik Kaliňák (NI)
(23 June 2025)**

Subject: Backlash against financing aid to Ukraine

Following the Commission's proposal to pledge up to EUR 40 billion in military assistance to Ukraine this year, with each country contributing according to the size of its economy, Spain and Italy voiced their opposition ⁽¹⁾.

In the light of the above:

1. What further steps does the Commission plan to take?
2. Is the Commission not aware that Member States are financially exhausted by the measures to support Ukraine that the Commission is continuously proposing?
3. Does the Commission not feel that the EU should become more actively involved in pressing for a peaceful dialogue instead of endless military support and the associated need for continuous funding?

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**Answer given by High Representative/Vice-President Kallas on behalf of the European Commission
(6 August 2025)**

The EU aims for a comprehensive, just, and lasting peace in Ukraine and supports Ukraine in its calls for a full and unconditional ceasefire.

However, Russia continues to show no interest in halting aggression. Instead, it is escalating its frontline and air attacks, resulting in an increasing number of civilian casualties. Bolstering support for Ukraine and applying strong pressure on Russia remain therefore crucial to changing Russia's stance.

As Ukraine's top supporter, the EU has provided EUR 164.8 billion in total support, including nearly EUR 60 billion in military aid, and pledged over EUR 24 billion in military support in 2025.

The High Representative/Vice-President's initiative to deliver to Ukraine 2 million rounds of high-calibre ammunition in 2025 has already achieved 80% of its target.

The EU also leads in training the Ukrainian Armed Forces, with 78 500 soldiers trained since November 2022 by the EU Military Assistance Mission.

The EU and its Member States remain committed to provide Ukraine and its people with all the necessary political, financial, economic, humanitarian, military and diplomatic support, for as long as it takes and as intensely as needed.

¹ <https://www.reuters.com/world/europe/italy-spain-not-ready-back-eu-plan-boost-ukraine-military-aid-2025-03-17/>