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Answer given by Mr Tzitzikostas
on behalf of the European Commission
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1. According to the EU Serious and Organised Crime Threat Assessment 2025 (EU SOCTA)¹, criminal networks involved in organised burglaries and thefts are mostly mobile organised crime groups that travel from country to country to perpetrate criminal offences and maximise profits. The SOCTA reports that although motor vehicle theft facilitated by cyber intrusion is not yet widespread, its use has been observed and might become more common. The Commission therefore welcomes cooperation between law enforcement authorities along main road corridors when specific crime patterns are detected. Member States cooperate on this specific issue via CARPOL².

2. In accordance with the Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) Work Programme 2021-2027, which was amended in July 2023, the following Actions could be supported. i) Works aiming at the development of new safe and secure parking areas and upgrading the safety and security of existing ones certified or to be certified in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2022/1012³ (including safety and security Information and Communication Technologies) on the road TEN-T (trans-European transport) network and its nodes for trucks and commercial vehicles; ii) works optimising the use of existing safe and secure parking areas for trucks and commercial vehicles through static and dynamic information including the collection, processing and dissemination of parking information. These interventions shall comply with Regulation (EU) No 885/2013⁴ and apply Union standards (e.g. DATEX2) and Guidelines, set up methods for measuring accurate and reliable data monitoring devices and analyse priority zones needed, taking into account traffic conditions, infrastructure shortages or weaknesses and driving regulations.

¹ <https://www.europol.europa.eu/cms/sites/default/files/documents/EU-SOCTA-2025.pdf>.

² CARPOL is the network of EU law enforcement contact points for tackling cross-border vehicle crime established by the Council Decision 919/2004 of 17 December 2004.

³ https://eur-lex.europa.eu/eli/reg_del/2022/1012/oj/eng.

⁴ https://eur-lex.europa.eu/eli/reg_del/2013/885/oj/eng.