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The political agreement¹ between the EU and the United States (US) increases cooperation and secure energy supplies. It includes the intention to procure more energy from the US. These energy imports are expected to have a total value of about USD 750 billion (circa EUR 700 billion) over the next three years. They include, inter alia, liquefied natural gas (LNG), oil, and nuclear items (such as fuels, technology, investments and services). This agreement would contribute to fully replacing all Russian energy imports^{2,3}.

The figure of USD 250 billion per year over the next three years builds on extensive work with Member States, industry, and other stakeholders to identify the energy needs to ensure the EU's full energy independence from Russia, EU's energy security and lower prices for citizens and businesses.

The purchases, which will be carried out by private companies, will also depend on the unrestricted access, and sufficient production and export capacity in the US, as well as other factors including commodity prices, exchange rates, and Foreign Direct Investment decisions taken by project promoters.

The agreement is in line with the 2040 impact assessment⁴ and does not undermine the EU's commitment to achieve climate neutrality by 2050. While substantially decreasing its fossil fuel consumption, the EU will still need to import oil and gas in the next decades. In July the Commission proposed an amendment of the Climate Law with a 90% greenhouse gas emissions reduction target for 2040.

For more information, please see the Commission's press corner⁵.

¹ Further reflected in this Joint Statement issued on 21 August 2025: https://policy.trade.ec.europa.eu/news/joint-statement-united-states-european-union-framework-agreement-reciprocal-fair-and-balanced-trade-2025-08-21_en.

² https://commission.europa.eu/topics/energy/repowereu_en.

³ https://energy.ec.europa.eu/strategy/repowereu-roadmap_en.

⁴ <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:52024SC0063>.

⁵ https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/qanda_25_1935.