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Answer given by Executive Vice-President Fitto
on behalf of the European Commission
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1. The EU remains fully committed to a comprehensive settlement of the Cyprus issue within the United Nations framework, in accordance with the relevant United Nations Security Council (UNSC) Resolutions and in line with the principles on which the EU is founded and its acquis. The EU has expressed, most recently in the European Council Conclusions of April 2024, its readiness to play an active role in supporting all stages of the United Nations-led process, with all the appropriate means at its disposal. To this end, the Commission appointed Johannes Hahn as Special Envoy on Cyprus on 14 May 2025[1].

2. Pursuant to Protocol 10 of the 2003 Act of Accession[2], the acquis in the areas of the Republic of Cyprus in which the Republic of Cyprus Government does not exercise effective control is suspended. The suspension may be lifted only upon the conclusion of a settlement.

3. Türkiye, as an EU candidate country and long-standing member of the Council of Europe, is expected to adhere to its respective commitments[3]. In its 2025 report on Türkiye[4], the Commission emphasised that Türkiye is expected to actively support the negotiations on a fair, comprehensive and viable settlement of the Cyprus issue within the United Nations framework, in accordance with the relevant UNSC Resolutions and in line with the principles on which the EU is founded and the EU acquis.

[1] https://cyprus.representation.ec.europa.eu/news/european-commission-designates-special-envoy-cyprus-2025-05-14_en?prefLang=hr.
[2] https://eur-lex.europa.eu/eli/treaty/acc_2003/act_1/pro_10/sign/eng.
[3] https://data.consilium.europa.eu/doc/document/ST-5638-2025-INIT/en/pdf.
[4].https://enlargement.ec.europa.eu/document/download/8010c4db-6ef8-4c85-aa06-814408921c89_en?filename=T%C3%BCrkiye%20Report%202024.pdf.