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Answer given by Executive Vice-President Ribera
on behalf of the European Commission
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The Commission understands that the Honourable Member refers to the possibility for Member States to provide temporary relief from high electricity prices, in return for companies' commitments to invest in decarbonisation, as set out in Section 4.5 of the Clean Industrial State aid Framework (CISAF).¹ In its assessment, the Commission ensures that the aid measure does not cause disproportionate competition distortions. The rationale, the evidential basis and feedback the Commission has relied on are explained in an accompanying document.²

As a general principle, the Commission does not comment on discussions with Member States about State aid matters or speculate about their outcome.

¹ Framework for State Aid measures to support the Clean Industrial Deal (CISAF), OJ C, C/2025/3602, 4.7.2025.

² Commission Staff Working Document, SWD(2025) 850 final, 4.11.2025.