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Answer given by High Representative/Vice-President Kallas
on behalf of the European Commission
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The European External Action Service (EEAS) would kindly refer the Honourable Member to the replies it sent to the second set of follow-up questions in the context of the Discharge procedure, submitted to the European Parliament's Budgetary Control (CONT) Committee on 21 January 2026¹, where this specific matter was addressed and was consulted with the European Public Prosecutor's Office (EPPO).

Without prejudice to the information already made public in the EPPO statement of 2 December 2025², details concerning ongoing investigations carried out by the EPPO are covered by strict confidentiality rules and cannot be disclosed in the context of the discharge procedure.

The EEAS has shared with the European Parliament all available information, without prejudice to its obligation not to disclose elements forming part of ongoing investigations.

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<https://www.europarl.europa.eu/cmsdata/301904/EEAS%20Replies%20to%20second%20round%20of%20additional%20questions%202024%20Discharge.pdf>.

² <https://www.eppo.europa.eu/en/media/news/belgium-eppo-conducts-searches-college-europe-and-european-external-action-service>.