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Answer given by High Representative/Vice-President Kallas
on behalf of the European Commission
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The EU remains deeply concerned by the deterioration of the situation in Lebanon and the dramatic socio-economic and humanitarian consequences of the conflict for the civilian population. The EU has consistently called for a cessation of hostilities, the protection of civilians and full respect for international humanitarian law.

The EU considers that the ceasefire agreement brokered by the United States between Lebanon and Israel on 3 June 2026 represents a renewed opportunity to end the conflict and create the conditions for lasting peace and security. The EU has consistently called on all parties to fully respect the ceasefire and to fully implement the UNSCR¹ 1701, calling for the respect of Lebanon's sovereignty and territorial integrity by Israel and the disarmament of non-state armed groups, including Hezbollah.

The EU stands ready to support the Lebanese Government and to contribute to an agreement between Lebanon and Israel, and to supporting the Lebanese Armed Forces (LAF) to ensure the state's monopoly over the legitimate use of force across Lebanese territory. The European Peace Facility assistance measure² will directly contribute to reinforcing the operational capacities of the LAF.

To address the crisis, the Commission announced³ a package of EUR 100 million humanitarian assistance to Lebanon, targeting all vulnerable populations, including refugees, vulnerable Lebanese and those internally displaced by the conflict, both inside and outside collective shelters.

The EU reiterates its strong support for the role of the UN Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) and condemns all attacks against UN personnel. A continued UN presence in the post-UNIFIL context is essential to ensure the implementation of UNSCR 1701⁴.

¹ United Nations Security Council Resolution.

² Measure of EUR 100 million adopted on 4 June 2026. https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=OJ:L_202601218.

³ https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip_26_611.

⁴ <https://www.consilium.europa.eu/en/press/press-releases/2026/06/06/statement-by-the-high-representative-on-behalf-of-the-eu-on-israel-and-lebanon/>.