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EU cooperation in Nicaragua supports actions directly benefiting vulnerable populations, including women, farmers and cooperatives, local and indigenous communities. Sectors of intervention include adaptation to climate change, disaster risk reduction and support to sustainable practices in specific value chains, particularly cocoa and coffee.

No EU funds are provided to the government of Nicaragua or as budgetary support to public institutions. EU funding in the country is entirely channelled through non-governmental implementing partners, including EU Member States' agencies, international organisations and civil society organisations with a solid presence on the ground.

All actions are subject to the Commission's control and monitoring mechanisms, including regular project monitoring, independent audits, and close scrutiny of the eligibility of expenditure and the use of the funds, to ensure EU support directly benefits vulnerable populations.

No project has been suspended. However, the strategy and the design of actions has been adjusted to the evolving political and operational context, with a view to maximising support to the communities most affected by poverty, exclusion and vulnerability.