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The Commission assesses compliance of Ukraine with the accession criteria on the basis of the established framework, including the political criteria relating to the stability of institutions guaranteeing democracy, the rule of law, human rights and respect for and protection of minorities. The Commission reports regularly on Ukraine's progress in the context of the enlargement process.

EU budget support and macro-financial assistance to Ukraine are governed by Regulations (EU) 2026/467¹ and 2024/792², requiring the fulfilment of a political precondition on upholding democracy, rule of law, and human rights, including those of persons belonging to minorities. Ukraine Facility disbursements also depend on the fulfilment of Ukraine Plan steps, including reforms to align with EU rules, values and standards.

Issues pertaining to historical interpretation, remembrance policies and commemorative practices are matters to be addressed in a spirit of dialogue, responsibility and good relations with neighbours. The Commission encourages all efforts aimed at dialogue, reconciliation, and the respectful commemoration of all victims.

As regards exhumations and related bilateral matters, the Commission encourages continued cooperation and dialogue between Ukraine and Poland, with a view to achieving tangible progress based on mutual respect and historical reconciliation.

¹ Regulation (EU) 2026/467 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 February 2026 implementing enhanced cooperation on the establishment of the Ukraine Support Loan for 2026 and 2027: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2026/467/oj>.

² Regulation (EU) 2024/792 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 February 2024 establishing the Ukraine Facility: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/792/2026-02-27>.