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Answer given by Mr Serafin
on behalf of the European Commission
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In the spirit of sincere cooperation, the Commission has exchanged with representatives of the Hungarian government concerning the state of play of procedures to protect the financial interests of the EU from rule of law breaches and corruption risks, as well as on the implementation of the Hungarian recovery and resilience plan (RRP).

On 9 September 2026, Hungary transmitted to the Commission a written notification pursuant to Article 7(2) of the Conditionality Regulation¹, requesting the lifting of the restrictive measures adopted by the Council in 2022.

The Commission assessed the remedies notified by Hungary and their implementation and concluded that Hungary has addressed the previously identified weaknesses and shortcomings regarding public procurement, the anti-corruption framework, risks of conflicts of interest, and the effectiveness of prosecutorial action. Furthermore, Hungary's accession to the European Public Prosecutor's Office, together with the new rules on beneficial ownership and public procurement, further strengthens the fight against corruption and the prevention of conflicts of interest.

Therefore, on 23 September 2026, the Commission proposed the Council to adopt a decision lifting the measures adopted in 2022². The Commission immediately informed the European Parliament and published the proposal. The Council has one month from the Commission proposal to decide on the lifting of the measures.

As regards the Hungarian RRP, Hungary submitted a revised version that was approved by the Council on 10 July 2026 upon a Commission proposal. A targeted technical revision with limited changes was subsequently adopted by the Council on 27 August 2026. The latest Council implementing decision including all milestones and targets of the Hungarian RRP is publicly available³.

¹ <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/eli/reg/2020/2092/oj/eng>.

² https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=comnat:COM_2026_0516_FIN.

³ https://reforms-investments.ec.europa.eu/recovery-and-resilience-facility-1/country-pages/hungarys-recovery-and-resilience-plan_en.