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As criminal investigations in the United Kingdom (UK) fall fully under the responsibility of the UK authorities, the Commission is not in a position to comment on the case. Any police or judicial cooperation in this matter at European level would take place between the competent UK authorities and the European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Cooperation (Europol) and the European Union Agency for Criminal Justice Cooperation (Eurojust), strictly within the limits of their applicable Regulations¹ and cooperation arrangements.

The Commission continues to follow developments in terrorism and violent extremism of all ideological motivations through analytical work, such as Europol's annual Terrorism Situation and Trend Report², and assessments provided by the European Union Intelligence and Situation Centre. Assessments concerning possible trends, including far-left terrorism, remain primarily the responsibility of Member States' competent authorities and are carried out by Member States' security services. Other tools at EU level, such as Eurojust's Counter-terrorism Register, facilitate judicial cooperation in this area. To further strengthen EU support to Member States, and as announced in ProtectEU: Internal Security Strategy³, the Commission has presented a comprehensive legislative package to reinforce the mandates of Europol and Eurojust to step up the fight against cross-border crime and terrorism.

¹ <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/eli/reg/2016/794/oj/eng> and <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/eli/reg/2018/1727/oj/eng>.

² <https://www.europol.europa.eu/publications-events/main-reports/tesat-report>.

³ <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:52025DC0148>.