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The information requested by the Honourable Member is not available to the Council.
Implementation and enforcement of EU sanctions is the responsibility of the Member States.

National authorities are competent regarding the investigation and prosecution of criminal offences, including those related to any violation of EU restrictive measures against Russia. The Council does not possess any information concerning such investigations and prosecutions.

The extradition of EU nationals to third States is mainly governed by bilateral agreements concluded between the Member States and third States, and by agreements between the EU and certain third States.

Following a discussion between Ministers for Justice on 4 June 2020 on the extradition of EU citizens to third countries in the light of the judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-182/15 *Petruhhin*, in December 2020 Eurojust and the European Judicial Network produced a joint report on extradition to third countries (see <https://www.eurojust.europa.eu/publication/joint-report-eurojust-and-ejn-extradition-eu-citizens-third-countries>).

Later the Commission published ‘Guidelines on Extradition to Third States’ (2022/C 223/01) and presented them at the meeting of the Council (Justice and Home Affairs) of 9-10 June 2022.

The Council has not yet identified a need for additional measures to be taken at EU level.