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Moldova's energy security and resilience is a priority for the EU. On 27 January 2025, the EU announced an emergency assistance package¹ of EUR 30 million to tackle the country's energy crisis. On 4 February 2025, the EU put forward a medium-term strategy² for Moldova supported by a financial package with the two-fold objective of decoupling Moldova from the insecurities of Russian supply of energy and fully integrating it in the EU energy market. Under this strategy, overall support for Moldova would account to EUR 250 million, of which EUR 100 million will be provided by the EU by mid-April 2025. In addition, and as part of the same strategy, an offer of EUR 60 million is made available for the people in the Transnistrian region of Moldova subject to conditions. This also builds on the EU's ongoing support for Moldova's energy resilience.

Moldova has been a target of Russia's hybrid warfare, and this energy crisis, provoked by Moscow, is no exception. The EU is currently extending the EU Partnership Mission in Moldova for another two years, which has been crucial in building the country's crisis management and hybrid threat response capacities. Support to counter electoral interference, enhance cybersecurity, and improve strategic communication will be key components ahead of the parliamentary elections.

Finally, while EU accession and Transnistrian conflict settlement are two distinct processes, bridging the divide between Moldova's two banks of the Nistru River is essential. All efforts must ensure that Moldova's entire population benefits from EU integration. Chisinau is setting up an information sharing mechanism on EU accession with Tiraspol, and the EU stands ready to support Moldova along this path.

¹ https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip_25_329

² https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/lt/ip_25_403