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**Priority question for written answer P-000831/26
to the Commission
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Subject: Implementation gaps in the Commission's critical raw materials policy

In a recent report, the European Court of Auditors (ECA) warned that the EU remains overly dependent on a small number of non-EU countries for critical raw materials, despite the adoption of the Critical Raw Materials Act. The ECA notes that efforts to diversify imports have yet to produce tangible results and questions whether current measures are adequate.

The report further highlights Greenland as a strategically important partner, noting that 25 of the 34 raw materials identified by the Commission as critical for Europe's industry and green transition can be found in Greenland.

In the light of this:

1. What concrete corrective actions will the Commission take in response to the ECA's findings?
2. How will the Commission accelerate tangible diversification of supply chains, including by undertaking concrete extraction projects in Greenland under the current strategic partnership?

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**Answer given by Executive Vice-President Séjourné on behalf of the European Commission
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The Commission has taken note of the European Court of Auditors' report on critical raw materials for the energy transition and is addressing the identified challenges by accelerating implementation of the Critical Raw Materials Act ⁽¹⁾ (CRMA), notably through the RESourceEU Action Plan ⁽²⁾, which was not covered by the report.

Efforts focus on closing financing gaps, easing permitting constraints, and strengthening project delivery capacity, including via the Critical Raw Materials Centre.

RESourceEU mobilises de-risking tools and tackles regulatory bottlenecks to speed up projects that could reduce EU dependency on a single country of origin by 30-50% by 2029 for battery, rare earth, and defence-related raw materials. The EU is mobilising EUR 3 billion to support these value chains.

In the context of the EU-Greenland Strategic Partnership on sustainable raw materials value chains, the Commission is already implementing relevant actions to advance sustainable mining projects with a clear link to the European industry.

Support has been provided through technical assistance and investor matchmaking to identify raw materials projects of relevance for the EU industry, and to facilitate their access to finance and off takers.

The Commission committed to unlocking financial support for Greenland Resources' Malmbjerg molybdenum project to enhance supply security in the defence sector.

The Commission has also selected a graphite extraction project in Greenland, developed by GreenRoc, as a Strategic Project under the CRMA.

As announced in January 2026 by the President, the Commission is currently working on an investment package to support Greenland's economy and infrastructure, including in the field of sustainable raw materials.

⁽¹⁾ <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/1252/2024-05-03/eng>.

⁽²⁾ <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A52025DC0945&qid=1774448105138>.