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Answer given by Executive Vice-President Fitto
on behalf of the European Commission
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The Commission has at its disposal a full overview of alleged fraud cases involving Recovery and Resilience Facility (RRF) funds which is being regularly updated on the basis of information shared with the European Anti-Fraud Office (OLAF) and the European Public Prosecutor's Office (EPPO). However, in accordance with the applicable legislation on public access to documents and on data protection, the Commission cannot disclose the list of such cases so as to avoid putting at risk the ongoing investigations as well as personal data from stakeholders involved in these cases.

The Commission has zero tolerance for fraud affecting the EU budget and requires the same level of commitment from Member States, which are primarily responsible for the sound management of about three quarters of the EU budget, and from fund beneficiaries. It is the Member States' responsibility to take appropriate measures to protect the financial interests of the EU.

There are strict checks in place under the RRF legal framework to ensure the protection of the financial interest of the EU; every payment request is thoroughly and transparently assessed before the related disbursement, so as to always safeguard the financial interests at stake.

The Commission is fully committed to protecting taxpayers' money from misuse and cooperates with OLAF and EPPO on any case of fraud suspicion, and to recover any misused funds. More concretely, it takes appropriate action whenever it becomes aware of possible serious irregularities, conflict of interest, corruption or fraud affecting the EU budget. It can interrupt or suspend payments to Member States, impose financial corrections, adopt administrative measures and recover already paid funds.