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Omne Energia and Gazprom are not listed under EU restrictive measures (sanctions). In addition, the import of Russian natural gas into the EU is not prohibited under EU sanctions. Restrictions on public procurement which prohibit the award of public contracts to Russian entities and those majority owned by them foresee an exemption for the purchase, import or transfer of natural gas¹. Therefore, the Commission cannot comment on this specific procurement procedure mentioned by the Honourable Member.

Any additional sanctions would need to be adopted unanimously by the Council of the EU.

The Commission cannot comment on the removal of Omne Energia from the Polish sanctions list, its original inclusion not being based on EU sanctions. Such action would therefore not be considered as circumvention. The Commission is not aware of similar situations in other Member States.

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¹ Article 5k paragraph 2(e) of Council Regulation (EU) 833/2014.