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The Commission is committed to adopting an updated EU Anti-money laundering and countering the financing of terrorism (AML/CFT) list of high-risk third countries as soon as possible. The Commission welcomes the constructive dialogue with the European Parliament in late January 2025 and is committed to continue this dialogue with Members of the European Parliament on the EU AML list.

The Commission is dedicated to improving the efficiency of the AML list update process. Following the entry into force of the new Regulation (EU) 2024/1624¹, the Commission will review its methodology for identifying third countries that present risks for the EU's financial system. The current focus remains on optimising the existing process to ensure it remains robust and responsive to evolving global risks. The Commission values ongoing dialogue with the co-legislators to achieve this objective effectively.

¹ Regulation (EU) 2024/1624 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 31 May 2024 on the prevention of the use of the financial system for the purposes of money laundering or terrorist financing, OJ L, 2024/1624, 19.6.2024.