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to the Commission

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In a statement to the Bulgarian media, Mr Friso Roscam Abbing, spokesperson for the Commissioner for Justice, Freedom and Security, referred to the European Commission's concern with regard to the latest scandal at the Bulgarian Interior Ministry known as the Kuyovich case.

1. What information does the Commission have relating to the Kuyovich case, and in what way is this case affecting cooperation in the EU in the area of justice and home affairs?
2. Will the Commission undertake specific measures and actions in order to speed up the reforms of the Bulgarian police force and judicial system, given that repeated criticisms in this area have not produced the expected results?
3. Bearing in mind that the Bulgarian National Assembly envisages the setting up of an ad hoc committee of inquiry regarding the Kuyovich case, will the Commission, within its usual process of regular monitoring of Bulgaria, then take into consideration any results flowing from this committee in the area of justice, law and order and security?