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It is necessary to step up the European Union's relations with India, a country that plays an important role in economic and geopolitical terms and will in all likelihood continue to do so.

To this end, the roadmap for joint action and strategic cooperation by the two partners over the next five years up to 2025, must accordingly be examined. The time is now ripe, with the EU-India Summit providing an opportunity to forge still closer relations and India displaying ever-increasing enthusiasm for this idea.

Trade and investment cooperation between the two sides must therefore be stepped up, forging closer ties between them, while not losing sight of issues such as climate change, digital transition, maritime safety and human and labour rights.

In view of this:

- 1. Can the Commission give its own view of EU-India geopolitical cooperation?
- 2. How can cooperation between them be enhanced for the purpose of providing 5G network infrastructures?
- 3. What is the Commission's view on how the Chinese Belt and Road initiative for extensive construction projects in Pakistan is likely to affect relations between India and China?