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to the Commission**

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Subject: Fighting corruption in Moldova

The Commission recently held out the prospect of a three-year recovery plan for the Republic of Moldova, which would involve the transfer of up to EUR 600 million. The funding, which is available as part of the Team Europe concept, is aimed at helping sustainable, inclusive recovery from the COVID-19 crisis in the areas of administration, infrastructure, the economy, education and the rule of law.

A promising area and one in which much could be achieved in Moldova is waste and sewage disposal.

It would benefit the environment, is expressly requested by the local population and fulfils the objectives of the Green Deal.

How can the Commission ensure that significant amounts of funding are channelled into the areas of waste and sewage disposal in Moldova?

In the Republic of Moldova there is a real danger of funds 'seeping away' to be used for own or political purposes which may even be inimical to the EU. Current President Sandu appears to want to fight this corruption.

How can the Commission help to fight potential corruption in the Republic of Moldova?