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Subject: Financing of the planned wall in Poland

On 14 October 2021, the Council of Ministers in Poland adopted a bill for the construction of a border wall on the Polish-Belarusian border. According to the EU principle of sound financial management, EU-funded projects have to comply with the principles of economy, efficiency and effectiveness. Building a wall (anticipated costs: EUR 366 million) would not be in accordance with these principles, because walls cannot solve the core problem of immigration to the EU. Building a wall is therefore neither efficient nor effective. We already know from experience that walls do not hinder people from crossing borders. They instead push people in the hands of human traffickers, which makes the situation more dangerous for people on the move.

How will the Commission ensure that EU funding is not used for the planning and building of this wall?