

**Question for written answer E-001619/2022
to the Commission**
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Subject: Capacity for ensuring the supply of gas to the Member States

Russia stopped gas deliveries to Poland and Bulgaria, after requesting payment in roubles, despite the contracts providing for payment in euros or US dollars. Bulgaria, for example, is heavily dependent on Russia, from which it gets up to 90% of its oil and gas. It is clear that Moscow is again using gas to blackmail Europe.

Other EU countries may be next.

Can the Commission therefore state what the current situation is as regards the EU's reserves and capacity for ensuring the medium- and long-term supply of gas to the Member States?

What measures has the Commission taken or is it considering in these circumstances?