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Answer given by High Representative/Vice-President Borrell i Fontelles
on behalf of the European Commission
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The EU military support to the Armed Forces of Ukraine under the European Peace Facility (EPF) - now worth EUR 2 billion - is the expression of the EU's political solidarity to help Ukraine in defending itself and its population.

The scope of the equipment provided is in line with the priorities expressed by Ukraine, covering lethal and non-lethal equipment.

The decision to provide support of a military nature rests with the Council of the EU. Within the EPF framework¹, the Commission performs the role of Administrator for assistance measures and is responsible for the financial implementation of EPF assistance measures established by the Council. The EPF Committee further defines the type and quantity of support to be financed under the Assistance Measure, considering the priorities recommended by the EU Military Staff to meet the needs of the Ukrainian Armed Forces.

The publication of any information related to deliveries under the EPF is a prerogative of each EU Member State. Internally, EU Member States share this information amongst themselves. Information on deliveries is handled primarily by Member States according to their national rules on information protection including rules on classified information where relevant.

The EU condemns in the strongest possible terms Russia's unprecedented military aggression against Ukraine. By its unprovoked and unjustified military actions, Russia is grossly violating international law and undermining European and global security and stability. The delivery of weapons, as Member States deem appropriate, is intended to defend Ukraine's territorial integrity and support Ukraine's defence against the Russian aggression while protecting the Union's shared values and the rules-based international system.

¹ Council Decision (CFSP) 2021/509.