The Security Union aims to ensure that the EU plays its full role in ensuring the safety of citizens while respecting the values that define the European way of life. Implementation is progressing on all four strategic priorities\(^1\) set out in the Security Union Strategy\(^2\) for the period 2020-2025. Preventing and countering violent extremism in all its forms is part of the Security Union Strategy. The Strategy is showing its added value in effectively responding to a rapidly changing threat landscape in a coordinated manner, as illustrated in four Progress Reports\(^3\). The Commission has no current plans to modify the Strategy.

As regards the specific situation in Catalonia, the Commission is of the opinion that this is and remains an internal matter for Spain, which has to be dealt with in line with Spain’s constitutional order. The Commission fully respects the Spanish constitutional order. Furthermore, the Commission does not comment on individual cases.

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\(^1\) (i) a futureproof security environment; (ii) tackling evolving threats; (iii) protecting Europeans from terrorism and organised crime; and (iv) a strong European security ecosystem.

\(^2\) COM(2020) 605.