

**Question for written answer E-003247/2022/rev.1
to the Commission**

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Subject: Leaks from Nord Stream 1 and 2 in the Swedish and Danish economic zones

Since 26 September, leaks from both Nord Stream 1 and Nord Stream 2 have caused huge volumes of gas to be released into the Baltic Sea. On the same day as the leaks were discovered, both Swedish and Danish monitoring stations registered powerful underwater explosions in the area, which is within both the Swedish and the Danish economic zones. Sweden and Denmark have opened an investigation into an act of gross sabotage. Investigating the sequence of events needs to be a top priority for the EU as a whole.

The scope for gathering evidence is drastically reduced because of water movement around the ongoing leaks. Given the serious nature of the leaks, which have also caused very high methane emissions and are expected to continue until there is no more gas in the pipelines, as well as the genuine security threat which the events signify, immediate action by the EU is absolutely essential.

1. What is the Commission doing to investigate or assist the countries concerned in shedding light on the attack and foreign powers' links with it?
2. What measures can and will be taken to deal with these serious leaks and the climatic impact of methane gas emissions on achieving the 1.5°C target?