The implementation of the EU Climate Change and Defence Roadmap\(^1\) is an ongoing process, including with regard to the inclusion of defence aspects in Nationally Determined Contributions under the Paris Agreement as an objective with longer term impact (2025 and beyond).

The inclusion of greenhouse gas emissions from military activities in Member States’ inventory reports to the Commission and to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) is as mandatory as the inclusion of emissions from other activities, but the disaggregation of such emissions per sectors is subject to their level of confidentiality. The High Representative/Vice-President and the Commission subscribe to the assessment that such an inclusion has become more urgent in light of the climate crisis and work is ongoing to address the issue. In this context, the Commission, the European External Action Service and the European Defence Agency are taking steps to alert the ministries of Defence of the Member States of the opportunity and need to include data in the forthcoming annual greenhouse gas inventories, disaggregated to the extent possible.

Such consultations on this issue took place in the framework of the expert network that has been set up for the development of national strategies to prepare the armed forces for climate change, as called for by the Strategic Compass on Security and Defence\(^2\).

Furthermore, the Commission and the High Representative/Vice-President intend to address this issue in forthcoming proposals to enhance the links between climate, security and defence as envisaged for 2023.

\(^1\) EU Climate Change and Defence Roadmap (Doc.12741/20 dated 09 November 2020).
\(^2\) A Strategic Compass for Security and Defence (Doc. 13638/6/21, dated 21 March 2022).