

**Question for written answer E-003965/2022  
to the Commission**

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**Subject:** Information regarding the freezing of assets in implementation of restrictive measures prompted by the situation in Venezuela

On 26 September, the POLITICO newspaper published<sup>1</sup> information revealed in an interview with Didier Reynders, Commissioner for Justice, to the effect that, as part of its clampdown on Russia, the EU had frozen €14.5 billion in assets belonging to its sanctioned oligarchs and entities.

In view of this:

1. Can the Commission indicate the level of assets frozen since the adoption of sanctions and restrictive measures in 2017 in response to the situation in Venezuela<sup>2</sup>?
2. Can the Commission give a breakdown by Member State of funds and economic resources frozen as part of the restrictive measures prompted by the situation in Venezuela?

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.politico.eu/newsletter/brussels-playbook/meloni-wins-energy-mergers/>

<sup>2</sup> Council Regulation (EU) 2017/2063 of 13 November 2017 concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Venezuela, OJ L 295, 14.11.2017, p. 21–37.