

**Question for written answer E-002479/2023**

**to the Vice-President of the Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy**

Rule 138

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Subject: Commission taking action to find those responsible for the destruction of the Nord Stream pipelines, following international debate on the matter

In his answer to written question E-001958/2023<sup>1</sup> that I submitted on the responsibility for the destruction of the Nord Stream pipelines, and in particular the accusations against the Ukrainian Government allegedly made or relayed by the US and Dutch intelligence services, the VP/HR states that he had 'no information on the topic' and had not even discussed the matter with the Ukrainian Government.

He added that the European Commission stood ready to assist Member States' national investigations 'when needed', suggesting not only that it has not launched its own investigation but that it has also not (yet?) contributed to ongoing national investigations.

Beyond words, what action has the Commission taken in practice to find out who is responsible for the sabotaging of a European critical infrastructure?

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<sup>1</sup> [https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/E-9-2023-001958\\_EN.html](https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/E-9-2023-001958_EN.html)