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to the Commission
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Subject: Kazakhstan's almost-recognition of the occupied territories of Cyprus

Türkiye is doing everything it can to legitimise the illegal, such as the pseudo-state's participation in the Organisation of Turkic States. Together with Azerbaijan, Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan, Turkmenistan, and Hungary, it has accepted the so-called "Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus" as an observer, thus indirectly recognising this political construct as a state entity. In other words, there has been an attempt to place the pseudo-state on an equal footing with any recognised state.

At the very last moment, through the efforts of the Republic of Cyprus, the pseudo-state was blocked from participating. I should point out that the EU is Kazakhstan's first trading partner and first foreign investor. Kazakhstan remains the EU's main trading partner in Central Asia, with the balance of trade in its favour.

In view of this:

1. What actions will the Commission take to counter the efforts of states such as Kazakhstan to achieve recognition for the Cypriot occupied territories?
2. Will the same actions apply to the various international forums and sessions of organisations such as the Organisation of Turkic States?

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