

**Priority question for written answer P-002439/2023  
to the Commission**

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Subject: Supply chain risks

The pandemic and Russia's aggression in Ukraine have shown how serious and dangerous the consequences of disrupted supply chains can be. In order to maintain the stability of the energy system in the face of gas shortages, many Member States have resorted to coal capacity that had previously been shelved. Currently, the European Green Deal and the development of large amounts of renewable energy capacity depend on mineral imports. There is a reliance of over 90% on third countries, mainly in Asia, for many raw materials. The geopolitical situation could change at any moment.

In the light of the above:

1. Does the Commission intend to take measures to reduce or offset the risk of supply chain disruptions and, if so, which ones?
2. Is there an alternative scenario for the European energy system in the event that this supply chain disruption does occur and renewable capacity cannot be built? Is this left to the discretion of Member States?

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