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The Chamber of Deputies broadly supports the EU's Security Union strategy, with particular emphasis on the need to combat corruption and economic and financial crime, as well as emerging threats such as terrorism, space fighting or the use of new types of lethal weapons. At the same time, the Chamber advocates, inter alia, decisive action by the Union on the pursuit of illicit sources of income and the rapid identification of money laundering activities, but also for the establishment at Union level of mechanisms for rapid response to the misuse of European environmental funds, the exploitation of emission trading systems for criminal purposes, energy certification schemes and massive illegal logging. In this respect, the Chamber of Deputies emphasised the institutional strengthening of the European Public Prosecutor's Office and the adaptation of EU legislation to new criminal challenges, supporting the extension of EU-wide financial and legal support to the European Public Prosecutor's Office. On the other hand, it has been pointed out that exaggerations on the control of online content should be avoided in order not to affect the right to free expression and the right to information and education.