
EU WARNS UKRAINE OVER CORRUPTION AS BRUSSELS READIES ENLARGEMENT REPORT CARD

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Ukraine must avoid backsliding on anti-corruption efforts to remain in the fast lane for EU membership, Enlargement Commissioner Marta Kos said Tuesday as she prepared to unveil a report praising pro-EU reforms in Moldova, Albania and Montenegro.

While lauding Kyivs efforts to conduct reforms during wartime, Kos pointed to concerns about the strength of anti-corruption reforms as a potential obstacle following a furor in the summer over a law that would have kneecapped the independence of anti-corruption watchdogs.

Amid the challenges caused by Russias war of aggression, Ukraine has demonstrated its commitment to its EU path, Kos told European lawmakers ahead of unveiling the EUs latest progress reports on candidate countries. It will be essential to sustain this momentum and prevent any risk of backsliding, in particular on anti-corruption.

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