
EU Plans Major Investments in Greenland Amid Arctic Tensions



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STRASBOURG—European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen announced Wednesday that the European Union will significantly increase investment in Greenland to strengthen the local economy and infrastructure.

Speaking to the European Parliament, von der Leyen described the initiative as “a massive investment surge” aimed at boosting development in the strategically important Arctic region.

She emphasized that the EU will collaborate with the United States and other international partners to ensure regional security and stability.

Von der Leyen also criticized the potential imposition of new U.S. tariffs as “wrong.” U.S. President Donald Trump recently stated that starting February 1, a 10-percent tariff would apply to goods from eight European countries opposing his plan to acquire Greenland, with a potential increase to 25 percent on June 1 until a deal is reached.

The EU’s investment plan signals a commitment to sustainable economic growth in Greenland while safeguarding Arctic interests in coordination with global partners, reflecting the bloc’s strategic priorities and response to international trade pressures.