

EU leadership comments on mass migrant inflow to Ceuta: “Europe will not be intimidated”

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Europe “will not be intimidated by anyone,” Vice President Margaritis Schinas of the European Commission said after a record number of migrants entered Ceuta

in Spain.

Ceuta is a Spanish autonomous city on the north coast of Africa. More than 8,000 people have entered the Spanish enclave on the north coast of Morocco this week.

“Europe will not fall victim to this tactic,” Schinas said in a radio interview in what is widely described as a message to the Moroccan authorities.

The EU has asked Morocco to prevent people from crossing the border unregulated.

Strong response

On Wednesday, people continued to try to get into Ceuta, among other ways, by swimming. Spain has placed soldiers along the beaches, and a police boat is located just off the coast to prevent people from crossing the border.

On Tuesday, Spanish authorities said 2,700 of those who arrived had already returned to Morocco.

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