Question for written answer E-008197/2014 to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative) Rule 130 Josep-Maria Terricabras (Verts/ALE)

Subject: VP/HR - Role of the EU in the conflict in Kurdistan

The humanitarian situation in the town of Kobane is critical. Kurdish groups have been actively involved in major protests throughout Europe, including outside the European Parliament. One such protest was the one held at the European Parliament to demand EU action in response to the Islamic State offensive in the Kurdish region of Rojava.

On 10 October 2014, the High Representative issued an official communication stating that the EU recognised the UN Special Envoy's diplomatic efforts to find a political solution. Baroness Ashton also said that she was working, together with the European External Action Service, on a major package of additional aid measures for the Kurds in Kobane and to resolve the conflict.

- 1. Exactly what type of action is the EU going to take in this region?
- 2. Does the Vice-President/High Representative hope to reach stable agreements with Kurdish political representatives in order to offer an alternative to the chaos imposed by the elf-styled Islamic State?
- 3. Will the High Representative or the EEAS meet with Kurdish groups in Europe to discuss the matter?

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