Question for written answer E-000617/2015 to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative) Rule 130 Javier Couso Permuy (GUE/NGL)

Subject: VP/HR - Special court for war crimes in Kosovo

The Government of Kosovo is planning to set up a new special court to try war crimes committed by the Kosovo Liberation Army during the conflict in the 1990s.

A number of Kosovo's political parties and elements of the media have criticised the lack of transparency in the process to establish the court and the way in which the trials will be conducted.

It is known that the former High Representative, Catherine Ashton, exchanged letters with President Atifete Jahjaga in April 2014. In those letters, Ashton showed a willingness to cooperate in this matter.

- 1. Does the High Representative support the establishment of a new court to try war crimes in Kosovo?
- 2. Has the European External Action Service encouraged members of the Kosovo parliament to support the creation of this court?

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