Question for written answer E-005930/2015 to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative) Rule 130 Doru-Claudian Frunzulică (S&D)

Subject: VP/HR - Human rights violations in Pakistan

Enforced disappearances and related allegations of torture, extrajudicial killings and other abuses by Pakistan's security forces have occurred in Balochistan, including several cases in which those who 'disappeared' have turned up dead. The Balochistan Home and Tribal Affairs Department reported in July 2014 that the authorities had recovered the bodies of 800 people killed in Balochistan over the past three-and-a-half years, the majority of whom were ethnic Baloch 'political workers'.

Despite clear rulings from the Pakistan Supreme Court in 2013 demanding justice for victims, and recommendations from the United Nations Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances in 2012, it seems that the Government of Pakistan has done little to meet its obligations under the Pakistan Constitution and under international law to prevent enforced disappearances.

Will the VP/HR carry out talks with the Government of Pakistan to ensure that facts are established about the fate and whereabouts of victims when disappearances occur, bringing perpetrators to justice, and providing reparation to victims, including the families of the disappeared?