Question for written answer E-007280/2015/rev.1 to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative) Rule 130 Francesc Gambús (PPE)

Subject: VP/HR - Presidential elections in Kazakhstan

On Sunday, 26 April presidential elections were held in Kazakhstan, with the current Kazakh president, Nursultan Nazarbayev, being re-elected once again with 97.7 % of the vote. The head of the former Soviet republic has held power since before the break-up of the USSR. The OSCE has condemned the lack of opposition in the elections and stressed that 'voters were not offered a genuine choice between political alternatives'.

- 1. What is the Vice-President/High Representative 's opinion on the presidential elections of 26 April?
- 2. What is the Vice-President/High Representative's opinion on the situation in Kazakhstan with regard to human rights and fundamental freedoms?

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