

Question for written answer E-001367/2017
to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative)
Rule 130
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Subject: VP/HR - Detention of Julio Enrique Lemos Moreno in Colombia

Police in Colombia have detained Julio Enrique Lemos Moreno (alias Nader), a member of the FARC-EP and a hepatitis B sufferer, who was travelling to Medellín to receive medical treatment. There are reports of plans to initiate extradition proceedings against him.

The FARC has said that the incident is provocation, that it is aimed at sabotaging the peace process, and that it is a breach by the Colombian Government of section H of point 6.1.9. of the agreement. The FARC's trust has been shaken by this incident. The government has not yet made any statement.

1. What specific steps will the EU be taking to call on the Colombian Government to investigate and ascertain whether there has been a breach of section H of point 6.1.9. of the peace agreement?
2. Will the EU be demanding that protective measures be taken to ensure that Julio Lemos is released, treated for his illness, and allowed to return to the Gallo/Córdoba transition area?