Question for written answer E-006569/2017 to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative) Rule 130 Javier Couso Permuy (GUE/NGL)

Subject: VP/HR - massacre of peasants in Colombia

On 5 October, in the municipality of Tumaco in Nariño, there was a massacre in which at least six people were killed and more than fifteen were injured. There have also been cases of harassment by the security forces of the humanitarian mission which verified these events.

These events highlight the unwillingness of the national Government to implement the Havana Accords, which establish strategies to prevent a repetition of events such as those mentioned above. The Colombian authorities' attempts to conceal these events also show the firm intention to hush up its actions and their outcome, which stem from an authoritarian approach which violates the principles of the Accord and directly threatens human rights.

- 1. What is the position of the Union with regard to these events, which constitute a violation of human rights, and to the lack of safeguards for communities that are victims of systematic murders?
- 2. What will the Union do to call on Colombia to respect international law and human rights and to conduct a fair and just investigation allowing the perpetrators to be punished?

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