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to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative)
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Subject: VP/HR - Human rights violations in Mexico

In Mexico, a number of human rights activists, social leaders and journalists investigating subjects primarily concerned with drug trafficking and corruption have been murdered in recent months. A report from Mexico's 'Red TDT' human rights network has revealed that, under the government of President Enrique Peña Nieto, there have been 106 murders and extrajudicial killings of human rights activists, while 81 people have disappeared. The report also highlights the plight of the relatives of people who have disappeared, the communities that have been forcibly displaced and the human rights activists and organisations that support them.

In the face of these repeated human rights violations, which are damaging democracy and the rule of law:

1. Will the EU call on the Mexican government to address this critical situation?
2. Is the EU aware of the threats and dangers facing the relatives of victims in the state of Guerrero? What action will it take to condemn what is happening?