Question for written answer E-001277/2018 to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative) Rule 130 Udo Voigt (NI)

Subject: VP/HR - EU position on border incursions by Israel

For years, UNIFIL peacekeepers stationed in southern Lebanon have documented regular breaches of the Israeli-Lebanese border and reported their observations to UN Headquarters, which then passes on and publishes the information. In 2017, they recorded a substantial increase in the number of border incursions by Israel. A total of 1898 cases were documented, namely 602 violations of Lebanon's territorial waters, 254 of its land border and 1042 of its airspace.

- 1. Is the VP/HR aware of the huge increase in 2017 in the number of border incursions by Israel reported by UNIFIL?
- 2. Has she lodged a protest with the Israeli Government about these ongoing and increasingly frequent border incursions? If not, why not?
- 3. Does she intend to lodge a protest with the Israeli Government about this matter or to raise the issue at international level by other appropriate means?

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