Question for written answer P-007573/2015/rev.1 to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative) Rule 130 Kashetu Kyenge (S&D)

Subject: VP/HR - Extradition of an Italian-Brazilian dual national

The Italian Ministry of Justice has given the go-ahead for the extradition to Brazil of Henrique Pizzolato, who has dual Italian and Brazilian nationality and is currently being held in prison in Italy.

According to reports from a number of non-governmental organisations (NGOs) and international bodies, violence and bullying are common in Brazil's prisons.

Extradition has been granted subject to Mr Pizzolato being placed in a special wing for 'vulnerable inmates' at Papuda prison in Brazil, where he should not be subjected to inhuman treatment. However, that wing is currently closed, pending a ruling on its lawfulness by Brazil's judicial system.

In the light of the mutual recognition and enforcement of foreign judgments and with reference to the decisions taken at the seventh EU-Brazil summit during which the respective delegates reaffirmed their common commitment to the values and principles of democracy, the rule of law and respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms, what measures will the High Representative call for to prevent EU citizens currently held in EU prisons from being extradited to Brazil in breach of Article 3 of the European Convention on Human Rights (ECHR)?

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