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Subject: VP/HR - Israeli authorities' commitments on Palestinian prisoners

The hunger strike staged by Palestinian prisoners over the past months has effectively ended after Israel pledged to meet basic human rights standards in its prisons. 5 000 civilian prisoners still remain in detention, including 30 members of the Palestinian Legislative Council, and the prisoners' situation is sensitive to the extent that it could trigger destabilisation in the region.

In view of the above, does the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy intend to follow up, through the EU Delegation in the West Bank and Jerusalem, on the Israeli authorities' pledge in order to ensure that the basic standards relating to family visits, medical care, solitary confinement and the length of administrative detention are respected?