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to the Vice-President of the Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy

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Subject: VP/HR - Violation of Ecuador's sovereignty

For a few weeks now, the situation in Ecuador has been on a knife-edge. With the aim of destabilising not only Ecuador but also the entire South American region, a group of violent radicals, allegedly acting on the orders of Venezuelan dictator Nicolás Maduro, have exploited the legitimate protests of the Ecuadorian people against their government.

The Organization of American States has already expressed its opposition to the escalating violence which has resulted in the seizing of National Assembly of Ecuador, a clear and flagrant violation of the country's sovereignty. Many international leaders have already shown their support for President Moreno in the face of these attacks that are pushing the country to its limit.

1. Where does the High Representative stand with regard to the current situation in Ecuador?
2. Does the High Representative intend to condemn the abuses of the Venezuelan regime in Ecuador, as well as the escalating violence?