

**Question for written answer E-000674/2020/rev.1**

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

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**Subject:** Unacceptable US plan for Palestine

The Palestinian people have reacted to the unacceptable US plan for a 'solution' to the Palestinian question by declaring a general strike, holding demonstrations and mobilising in other ways, since it not only fails to guarantee the existence of an independent Palestinian state, but perpetuates and protects the Israeli occupation.

The agreement in question, which forms part of US imperialist plans for the wider region, provides, inter alia, for Jerusalem to become 'the indivisible capital of the State of Israel', the Israeli annexation of the Jordan Valley (30% of the West Bank) and the maintenance of Israeli settlements. The United States, which has suspended funding for Palestine, is blackmailing the Palestinian people by imposing this wretched agreement on them in exchange for economic assistance to the fledgling state.

Given that dozens of parliaments worldwide have recognised the existence of an independent Palestinian state and that the US plan is a provocative attempt to legitimise Israel's policy of building settlements, expansionism and occupying Palestinian territories, will the Union's High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy/Vice-President of the Commission say how he views this plan that undermines the just struggle of the Palestinian people and their demands for an end to the Israeli occupation and for an independent Palestinian state within the 1967 borders with East Jerusalem as its capital?