Question for written answer E-005442/2020 to the Vice-President of the Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy

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Subject: The next elections in Ecuador

Next year will see new presidential elections in Ecuador. A number of political parties, including the party backed by the former President Rafael Correa, who has been barred from running, have complained that the government has placed legal obstacles in the way of the electoral process to prevent fair elections.

- 1. Is the High Representative following developments in Ecuador?
- 2. Does he intend to work together with the Ecuadorian authorities to ensure that next year's presidential elections are democratic, for example by sending a team of observers?