

**Question for written answer E-006793/2020**

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

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**Subject:** Preparing a strong common EU voice at the NPT Review Conference in light of the entry into force of the Treaty Prohibiting Nuclear Weapons

Addressing the European Parliament on 28 of October 2020, the EU Special Envoy for Disarmament Affairs affirmed that the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW) must not be a matter of further division in the EU, that the divergences between Member States on the TPNW must not interfere with the EU's approach to the Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT), and that the EU should ensure that the TPNW and the NPT can coexist.

1. What concrete actions do the VP/HR and the EU Special Envoy for Disarmament Affairs intend to undertake ahead of and at the 2021 NPT Review Conference to make sure that the EU contributes to the coexistence of the TPNW and the NPT?
2. Does the EEAS intend to issue an analysis of the interaction between Article VI of the NPT and the TPNW?
3. Will the EU welcome the TPNW at the NPT review conference, and if not, which Member States or institutions are preventing this?