Question for written answer E-006804/2020/rev.1 to the Commission

Rule 138

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Subject: Goran Vesić, Mayor of Belgrade, banned from entering Kosovo and respect for the

Brussels Agreement on the Community of Serb Municipalities

On 24 November 2020, Goran Vesić, Mayor of Belgrade, announced that he had filed a complaint with the European Court of Human Rights against Kosovo, which had banned him from visiting Kosovska Mitrovica¹.

The aim of the visit was 'to sign a charter on the twinning of that city with Belgrade' and to visit 'works on the residential building in Kosovska Mitrovica, to accommodate 20 refugee families who have lived in collective accommodation for more than 10 years, as well as on the construction of a park and playground financed by the City of Belgrade'.

The Brussels Agreement signed on 19 April 2013 included provisions on freedom of movement and the creation of an association of municipalities with a Serb-majority population.

- 1. As town twinning is encouraged by the European Union, which has a specific programme for it, how will the Commission help this particular twinning plan?
- 2. What is the Commission's explanation for the fact that the community of Serb municipalities has still not yet been established?
- 3. Will the Commission seek clarification from the Kosovar authorities on this matter?

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