

Question for written answer E-000503/2021

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

Rule 138

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Subject: Coordination with the Biden Administration to restore democracy in Venezuela

In his hearing before the US Senate Foreign Relations Committee on 19 January 2021¹, Anthony Blinken, nominee for Secretary of State, confirmed that the Biden Administration would continue to recognise Juan Guaidó as Venezuela's president.

Mr Blinken also promised 'better, stronger coordination, cooperation with like-minded countries' with a view to restoring democracy in Venezuela.

Meanwhile, in its Conclusions on Venezuela of 25 January 2021², the Foreign Affairs Council confirmed that the EU would 'also continue to coordinate with the Lima Group and the US Administration and ... continue its outreach efforts with other international and regional actors'.

1. How will the Vice-President / High Representative work with the new US administration to restore democracy in Venezuela?
2. Has the External Action Service set up a high-level meeting with the US Secretary of State to discuss this and other Latin American issues?

¹ <https://www.foreign.senate.gov/hearings/nominations-011921>

² <https://www.consilium.europa.eu/media/48053/st05582-en21.pdf>