Question for written answer E-001891/2021/rev.1
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: Azerbaijan

On 19 March, 2021, Human Rights Watch issued a statement detailing the torture of Armenian
prisoners of war while held in captivity by Azerbaijan, which is an act that is in direct contravention of
the Geneva Convention. This followed Azeri attacks, in partnership with Turkey, against Armenia and
civilian communities in Nagorno–Karabakh.

1. Does the Vice-President of the Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign
Affairs and Security Policy (VP/HR) consider Azerbaijan a reliable partner, given its human rights
record, propensity for illegal aggression and support for Turkish expansionism in the Southern
Caucasus?

2. What contacts has the VP/HR had with Azerbaijan entities this year?