

Question for written answer E-004056/2021

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

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Subject: Next steps for the EU with regard to Afghanistan

The withdrawal of the United States and NATO after 20 years of intervention in Afghanistan has left millions of people exposed to the horror and barbarism of the Taliban regime – particularly Afghan women and girls - and has forced many of them to flee the country, triggering a humanitarian crisis both within the country and abroad. Once the international air evacuations have been completed,

1. What measures does the Vice-President of the Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy intend to take to help protect the Afghan people, to ensure their human rights are respected and to stem the foreseeable humanitarian crisis?
2. What coordination and cooperation efforts will be made with third countries to achieve the above objectives?
3. Are there any plans to create humanitarian corridors through which, in accordance with the legislation of each Member State, provision will be made for the transfer of Afghan asylum seekers to Member States' embassies in countries bordering Afghanistan?