

Question for written answer E-004199/2021

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: Security plan for opposition members in Colombia

Article 30 of Colombia's Opposition Statute provides that 'within the framework of the Comprehensive Security System for the Exercise of Politics, the National Government shall arrange protection and security programmes with a differential and indiscriminate approach to the management and members of organisations declared to be in opposition'. Four years after the enactment of Decree-Law No 895, which governs that system, Iván Duque's government still has yet to present a protection and security programme. What is more, according to reports from the Attorney General's Office, the bodies set up under the system do not work properly and the measures laid down therein have not been implemented. Taking into account that the risk of threats towards candidates in the forthcoming elections has increased:

1. Will the Vice-President of the Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy urge the Colombian Government to put forward a special protection and security plan as it is obligated to do under the Opposition Statute?
2. What political, diplomatic and financial measures will he take to help to improve the Comprehensive Security System for the Exercise of Politics?