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

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Subject: United Arab Emirates: the new frontier for the Camorra

The number of Camorra associates seeking fortune in the United Arab Emirates (UAE) has increased alarmingly.

Immediately after the case of Raffaele Imperiale, Luca Esposito and Maria Bosti, the son-in-law and daughter of Secondigliano Alliance boss Patrizio Bosti, were arrested while trying to fly to Dubai.

Thanks to their affiliation with the Secondigliano Alliance, they managed to bribe doctors in order to obtain fake COVID-19 vaccination certificates and fake negative PCR test results.

Gianni Melillo of the Anti-Mafia District Directorate of the Public Prosecutor Office had already asked for a 10-year prison sentence for Luca Esposito. The risk of such a sentence pushed him not to wait longer and to take advantage of the Italian justice authorities' difficulties in obtaining extradition from the UAE.

How is the Vice-President of the Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (VP/HR) intending to put pressure on the Emirati judicial authorities in order to ensure that they cooperate and to avoid such episodes?