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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: The murder of journalist Shireen Abu Akleh

Just days after World Press Freedom Day, Israeli forces shot and killed the Palestinian-American Al Jazeera journalist, Shireen Abu Akleh, while she was performing her duties reporting on an Israel Defence Forces raid on the West Bank city of Jenin.

It is worth noting that last year, the International Criminal Court's chief prosecutor opened a formal investigation into alleged war crimes in the Palestinian territories.

What measures will the Vice-President of the Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy take to ensure an in-depth, transparent and independent investigation followed by a conviction for the murder of Shireen Abu Akleh, safeguarding at the same time the security of journalists and the freedom of the press in conflict zones?