

**Question for written answer E-002910/2022
to the Vice-President of the Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs
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Subject: Breach of Nagorno-Karabakh ceasefire by Azerbaijan

A fresh outbreak of hostilities over the last 24 hours has resulted in deaths and injuries, following a further breach of the Nagorno-Karabakh ceasefire agreements by Azerbaijan, which has attacked areas under the control of Russian peacekeepers.

Tensions in the area have been ramped up, resulting in a highly volatile situation that could erupt at any moment with incalculable consequences.

To date, there has been no meaningful response to calls from Yerevan for action by the international community to halt this unlawful Azeri aggression.

The European Union has a role and voice in the region and it is imperative, as never before, to call for an immediate end to hostilities and to call on Azerbaijan to respect the ceasefire. If no result is forthcoming, it will need to exert the necessary leverage on Baku to end its infringement of the ceasefire.

In the view of this:

1. What immediate measures will it take to protect civilians and bring hostilities in the region to an end?
2. To what extent does it consider that diplomatic manoeuvrings to date have produced results?