

Question for written answer E-002169/2023

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: Humanitarian situation in the Democratic Republic of the Congo: attacks on civilians by armed groups

On 7 July 2020, the Vice-President of the Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (VP/HR), Josep Borrell, expressed his concern about the humanitarian and security situation in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, calling on armed groups to immediately cease all hostilities and attacks against civilians and to withdraw from the areas they are occupying. Moreover, according to a recent UN study, some state actors also support armed groups.

In light of the above, can the VP/HR say whether he intends to consider targeted restrictive measures against individuals or groups responsible for attacks against civilians in the DRC?

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