Question for written answer E-001386/2024/rev.1
to the Vice-President of the Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy
Rule 144
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Subject: Azerbaijan's actions risk undermining COP29

After Azerbaijan's attack on Nagorno-Karabakh in 2020, in which 5 000 Armenians lost their lives, and the 44-day war, many Armenians were held as prisoners of war, 15 of whom are still in jail in Baku.

Right after 19 September 2023, when Azerbaijan attacked and occupied Nagorno-Karabakh, the latter's inhabitants began their tragic mass exodus to Armenia. During this time, Azerbaijan abducted eight former leaders of Nagorno-Karabakh and is holding them hostage in Baku.

1. How is the Vice President/High Representative addressing concerns about the fact that Azerbaijan's human rights violations, its hostile stance against Armenia and the manipulation of ethnic Armenians of Nagorno-Karabakh are likely to undermine the credibility and goals of COP29 which is to take place in Baku?

2. How does the Vice President/High Representative view the European actions taken thus far to address Azeri attacks against the Republic of Armenia and how does it plan to ensure, ahead of COP29, that Azerbaijan commits to no more Armenian territory being lost to insatiable Azeri aggression?

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