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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: Situation of Afghan refugees in Iran and Pakistan and the need for EU action to prevent deportations

Following the European Parliament's recently adopted resolution on the situation in Afghanistan, serious concerns remain regarding the ongoing deportations of Afghan refugees from Iran and Pakistan. In its resolution, Parliament calls on the governments of both countries to immediately halt deportations and to fully respect the principle of non-refoulement.

Recent correspondence received by Members of the European Parliament illustrates the urgency of this issue. One such case concerns an Afghan family currently in hiding in Tehran, including a former Afghan soldier and several young children, who might be deported despite being registered with the UN Refugee Agency. This individual example reflects a wider pattern of Afghans being left without protection.

1. How does the Vice-President / High Representative assess the current situation of Afghan refugees in both Iran and Pakistan, and how does she assess their prospects for safety and security after their potential return to Afghanistan?
2. What action is she taking to support forcefully returned refugees?
3. Is the Vice-President / High Representative willing to engage with both Pakistan and Iran to discuss the ongoing deportations of Afghan families? If not, why not?

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