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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: Support for the Colombian Government in light of President Petro and his family being added to the OFAC list and implications for one of the EU's partners of choice

Democratically elected President Gustavo Petro has been added to the OFAC sanctions list, along with his wife and son.

As the UN has repeated on several occasions, the adoption of these unilateral coercive measures with extraterritorial effects violates international law, since it constitutes a direct attack on sovereignty, non-interference and respect for the rule of law.

The addition of the president and his family is even more concerning against the regional backdrop of illegal extrajudicial killings that the USA has been carrying out in the Pacific and Caribbean and US military deployment in the area without a UN mandate.

Given that Colombia is one of the EU's partners of choice and that the two parties have a partnership agreement committed to defending democracy and the rule of law:

1. Has the VP/HR condemned the US administration's unilateral measures that violate international law, such as extrajudicial killings in the Pacific and Caribbean and sanctions with extraterritorial effects?
2. Will the VP/HR publicly reject the discretionary inclusion of the President and his family on the sanctions list?
3. What reinforcement measures is the VP/HR considering to support the Colombian Government in the face of the adverse effects that this measure also has on the EU?

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