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to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative)
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Subject: VP/HR - Defensive potential of satellite systems in the Global CFSP Strategy

In June 2016 you will present a new Global Strategy concerning the Common Foreign and Security Policy of the European Union. The issues of security should occupy a clear place within it, as today's international situation is far from stable. The new challenges for security require innovative solutions, which certainly include using satellite systems for observing the planet as well as navigation and communication. Despite the fact that the EU's flagship programmes, Copernicus and Galileo, are civil ventures, both are undoubtedly of high value for ensuring security in Europe.

1. Is the importance of these systems emphasised in the strategy being prepared in the area of security?
2. To what extent do you intend to draw attention to use of the possibilities of Copernicus, Galileo and other European satellite systems in the area of foreign and security policy?