

**Question for written answer E-002950/2024
to the Vice-President of the Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign
Affairs and Security Policy**

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Subject: Vice-President / High Representative respecting the prerogatives of her post

On 18 May 2024, during the round table on ‘Keeping Up Support to Ukraine – Defining as Long as It Takes?’ organised as part of the Lennart Meri Conference, Kaja Kallas, then Prime Minister of Estonia, said when speaking about EU-Russia relations, ‘Russia’s defeat is not a bad thing, because then there could be really a change in society. There are many different nations that are right now part of Russia. If you would have more small nations, it’s not a bad thing, if the big power is much smaller’.

Ms Kallas has just started her new role as Vice-President of the Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy, the prerogatives of which are laid down in Article 18(2) of the Treaty on European Union.

Does this statement constitute one of the VP/HR’s current political projects, or is it outdated and she withdraws it in her new role?

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