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## EU Statement on the bomb attacks in Turkey

The European Union would like to draw the attention of the FSC to the 12 May statement by the spokesperson of the EU High Representative, Catherine Ashton, on the bomb attacks in Turkey:

"The High Representative was shocked by the callous attacks carried out in Reyhanli and appalled by the high death toll. She extends her deepest condolences and sympathies to the bereaved and injured.

The EU, which condemns terrorist attacks in all their forms, expresses its full solidarity with the Government and people of Turkey at this difficult time. It stands ready to help in any way needed."

The acceding country CROATIA<sup>\*</sup>, the candidate countries the FORMER YUGOSLAV REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA, MONTENEGRO, ICELAND<sup>\*\*</sup> and SERBIA, the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries ALBANIA and BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA, the European Free Trade Association countries LIECHTENSTEIN and NORWAY, members of the European Economic Area, as well as UKRAINE, ANDORRA and SAN MARINO align themselves with this statement.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>\*</sup> Croatia, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro and Serbia continue to be part of the Stabilisation and Association Process.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>\*\*</sup> Iceland continues to be a member of EFTA and the European Economic Area.