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EU Statement on the blast at Oktyabrskaya metro station in Minsk

The EU deeply deplores the tragic loss of life and that so many people were wounded in the explosion that took place on 11 April 2011 at the Oktyabrskaya metro station in Minsk. The EU would like to express its heartfelt condolences and support to the families of the victims and to the people of Belarus. We wish those who were injured a speedy recovery.

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

*Croatia, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Montenegro continue to be part of the Stabilisation and Association Process.

**Iceland continues to be a member of the EFTA and the European Economic Area.