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#### EU statement on Nagorno Karabakh

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In view of reports about so-called parliamentary elections in Nagorno-Karabakh on 3 May, we reiterate that the European Union does not recognise the constitutional and legal framework within which they are being held. These events cannot prejudice the determination of the future status of Nagorno-Karabakh or impact on the negotiation process.

The EU firmly supports the OSCE Minsk Group, and its Co-Chairs' efforts to progress beyond the status quo and bring about comprehensive peace negotiations. The EU stands ready to further support efforts, aimed at early peaceful resolution of the conflict.

The Candidate Countries the FORMER YUGOSLAV REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA\*, MONTENEGRO\*, ICELAND+ and ALBANIA\*, the Country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and Potential Candidate BOSNIA and HERZEGOVINA, and the EFTA countries LIECHTENSTEIN and NORWAY, members of the European Economic Area, as well as UKRAINE and SAN MARINO align themselves with this statement.

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

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