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EU statement on the Execution of Warren Lee Hill in the US State of Georgia on 27 January 2015

The European Union would like to draw attention to the statement made by the Spokesperson of the High Representative/ Vice-President Federica Mogherini on the execution of Warren Lee Hill in the US State of Georgia on 27 January 2015:

“The execution of Warren Lee Hill in the US State of Georgia on 27 January 2015, in spite of the indications that he suffered from a mental disability, is contrary to widely accepted human rights norms and to the minimum standards set forth according to international human rights law.

We regret that the numerous calls for clemency, including those of the EU, went unheeded.

The European Union is opposed to the use of capital punishment under all circumstances and aims at its universal abolition, seeking a global moratorium on the death penalty as a first step.”

The Candidate Countries the FORMER YUGOSLAV REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA*, MONTENEGRO* 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, align themselves with this statement.

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