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EU statement on Uzbekistan

Five years ago today, on 13 May 2005, hundreds of demonstrators were killed in the city of Andijan. The EU reiterates its sympathy to the families of all the victims of the Andijan events.

With a view to encouraging the Uzbek authorities to take further substantive steps to improve the rule of law and the human rights situation on the ground, the EU lifted last October restrictive measures imposed following the Andijan events. We urge the Uzbek government to take decisive action on the steps set out in the External Relations Council conclusions of 27 October 2009.

The EU remains concerned that no independent investigation into this case has been conducted and that no one has been held accountable.

The EU stands ready to support Uzbekistan and to continue its close mutual dialogue on this and all other issues of common interest.

Los países candidatos CROACIA* y la ANTIGUA REPÚBLICA YUGOSLAVA DE MACEDONIA*, los países del Proceso de Estabilización y Asociación y los países candidatos potenciales, ALBANIA, BOSNIA Y HERZEGOVINA, MONTENEGRO y SERBIA, y los países de la Asociación Europea de Libre Comercio y los miembros del Espacio Económico Europeo, ISLANDIA y NORUEGA, se suman a esta declaración.

*Croacia y la Antigua República Yugoslava de Macedonia siguen perteneciendo al proceso de Estabilización y Asociación.