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EU statement on the killing of Israeli tourists in Bulgaria

The EU would like to draw the attention of the Permanent Council to the statement by EU High Representative, Catherine Ashton, on the killing of Israeli tourists in Bulgaria, issued on 18 July and distributed to delegations as OSCE document under the reference SEC.DEL/225/12, in which she stated:

'I was appalled to hear of this afternoon's apparent terrorist attack on Israeli tourists arriving in Bulgaria.

I am deeply shocked by the scenes in Bourgas airport, where what should have been the beginning of a happy holiday ended in murder.

I send my condolences to the families of all those killed. Many more have been injured. We wish them a speedy recovery.

The EU utterly condemns all acts of terrorism, wherever they take place. The terrorists who planned and carried out this attack must be brought to justice'.

The Acceding Country Croatia*, the Candidate Countries the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia*, Montenegro*, Iceland+ and Serbia*, the Countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidates Albania and Bosnia and Herzegovina, and the EFTA countries Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area, as well as the Republic of Moldova, Georgia and Andorra, align themselves with this statement.

* Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro and Serbia 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.