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### **EU response to Uzbek Statement on Shelkavenko case**

The European Union commends the agreement of the Uzbek authorities to an independent investigation into the cause of death of Andrej Shelkavenko, and takes note of the findings by a group of international experts. It is understood that the international experts highly appreciated the co-operation they received from Uzbek experts. We encourage the Uzbek authorities to continue such co-operation.

The Candidate Countries Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey align themselves with this statement.