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EU statement on the events of March 26 regarding Mr Marko Djuric

We regret the events of 26 March and we expect calm, wisdom, restraint and leadership to prevail.

Issues of mutual concern need to be addressed within the framework of the EU facilitated Dialogue, which as an ultimate goal aims at a normalisation of relations between Belgrade and Pristina. This was reconfirmed by Presidents Thaçi and Vučić during their meeting with the High Representative/Vice-President Federica Mogherini on 23 of March.

We expect both sides – one being in accession negotiations with the EU and the other one having a Stabilisation and Association Agreement with the EU in place – to respect fully, in letter and spirit, agreements reached between them in the Dialogue and to engage constructively and in good faith in comprehensively normalising their relations.

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 country NORWAY, member of the European Economic Area, as well as UKRAINE align themselves with this statement.

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