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The EU remains deeply concerned regarding the security and human rights situation in the areas within and around the administrative boundary lines with South Ossetia. Given recent incidents as reported by international monitors – OSCE MMOs and EUMM, which risk escalating the tense situation in the region, we reserve the right to come back to this issue.

The candidate countries TURKEY, CROATIA\* and FORMER YUGOSLAV REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA\*, the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries ALBANIA, BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA and MONTENEGRO, the European Free Trade Association countries and members of the European Economic Area ICELAND and NORWAY, as well as UKRAINE and the REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA align themselves with this statement.

\*Croatia and Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia continue to be part of the Stabilisation and Association Process.

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