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Statement of the European Union on the incident in Ganmukhuri, Georgia

The EU would also like to voice its concern about the incident that took place on 30 October in the village of Ganmukhuri in the Georgian/Abkhaz zone of conflict.

We urge the parties involved to exercise caution and to refrain from actions which could risk escalating the already tense situation in the region.

The EU reserves the right to come back to this issue at a later stage.

The Candidate Countries Turkey, Croatia and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia*, the Countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Serbia, EFTA countries Iceland and Norway, members of the European Economic Area, as well as Ukraine and the Republic of Moldova, align themselves with this statement.

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