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Statement of the European Union on the Decision on arrangements related to the use and occupancy of the Wallnerstrasse premises by the OSCE Secretariat and the Representative on Freedom of the Media

The EU would like to express its satisfaction regarding the adoption of the Decision on arrangements related to the use and occupancy of the Wallnerstrasse premises by the OSCE Secretariat and the Representative on Freedom of the Media.

We would also like to state our special thanks to the Austrian authorities and to the Secretariat for their positive approach demonstrated throughout the negotiations of this Agreement.

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.