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## **EUROPEAN UNION**

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## **EU** statement on Albania

The European Union would like to draw the attention of the Permanent Council to the statement by EU High Representative Catherine Ashton and Commissioner Stefan Füle on Albania, issued on 25 May 2011 and distributed as an OSCE document under the reference number SEC.DEL/196/11.

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

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

\*\*Iceland continues to be a member of the EFTA and the European Economic Area.