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**Declaration by the Presidency on behalf of the European Union
on the Attack in Algiers on 30 January**

The European Union condemns in the most vigorous terms the barbaric attack which took place on 30 January in the center of Algiers and claimed dozens of victims, most of them women and children. It expresses its deepest sympathy and sends its condolences to the families of the victims and the entire Algerian population, itself the victim of terrorism and violence.

In these tragic circumstances the Union wishes to renew its appeal to all those active in Algerian political life to agree on the ways and means of developing the spirit of dialogue, necessary now more than ever, and to urge them to seek a peaceful solution to the crisis.

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