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**Declaration by the Presidency on behalf of the European Union  
on the recent developments in the Lockerbie case**

The European Union welcomes the readiness of the Governments of the United Kingdom and the United States to accept a trial before a Scottish court under Scottish law in the Netherlands and the offer to allow international observers to attend the trial.

The European Union thanks the Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands for its willingness to host such a court.

The European Union also welcomes the Libyan announcement that it would deal positively with the US and British proposal. The EU expects Libya to accept it and to fully implement the provisions of UNSCR 1192 and all other relevant Security Council Resolutions.