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**Declaration by the Presidency on behalf of the European Union
on the Ethiopian-Eritrean conflict**

The European Union reiterates its strong support for the mediation efforts of the OAU in regard to the Ethiopian-Eritrean conflict that have led to proposals for a framework agreement.

The EU once again expresses its hope that both sides will be able to respond positively to the proposals and that a framework agreement can be concluded at the meeting of the OAU Central Organ on 17/18 December.

The Central and Eastern European countries associated with the European Union, the associated country Cyprus and the EFTA countries, members of the European Economic Area align themselves with this declaration.

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