



United States Mission to the OSCE
**Response to the European Union Statement
on Protests in Turkey**

As delivered by Deputy Political Counselor Jennifer Bosworth
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The United States shares many of the concerns noted by the EU on this topic. As we have stated before, the United States supports full respect for freedoms of expression and peaceful assembly, which are fundamental to any democracy. We also call on all sides to exercise restraint and avoid violence.

Thank you, Madam Chairperson.