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**EU Statement in response to the current issue raised by
Armenia**

The European Union thanks the esteemed Armenian Ambassador for his statement on the election, by the Armenian National Assembly, of Nikol Pashinyan as the new Prime Minister of Armenia, in accordance with the Constitution, whom we congratulate.

We look forward to working with Prime Minister Pashinyan and his government on the implementation of the EU-Armenia Comprehensive and Enhanced Partnership Agreement, signed last November, with a view to further consolidating democracy, the rule of law and respect of human rights, and to creating a prosperous and resilient country for the benefit of all citizens of Armenia.

To achieve these important goals, a comprehensive dialogue among all political stakeholders in Armenia, including civil society, remains crucial. We reiterate our support to Armenia in this process.

The Candidate Countries the FORMER YUGOSLAV REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA*, MONTENEGRO*, SERBIA* and ALBANIA*, the Country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and Potential Candidate BOSNIA and HERZEGOVINA, and the EFTA countries ICELAND and NORWAY, members of the European Economic Area, as well as UKRAINE, the REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA and GEORGIA align themselves with this statement.

* The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia and Albania continue to be part of the Stabilisation and Association Process.