STATEMENT

by the spokesperson on the signing of the ceasefire agreement in Mali

"The European Union welcomes the signing of a ceasefire agreement as part of the peace and stabilisation process in Mali.

We call for the immediate implementation of all provisions of the agreement, in particular the opening of talks on the basis of the provisions of the preliminary peace agreement signed on 18 June 2013.

We welcome the crucial contribution of the President of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania and President-in-Office of the African Union, Mr Mohamed Ould Abdel Aziz, to the signing of the ceasefire.

We reaffirm our commitment to supporting the implementation of the agreement based on Mali’s unity, territorial integrity and sovereignty, alongside the United Nations and our other regional and international partners."

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