STATEMENT

by the Spokesperson on the recent violence in the Central African Republic

“We strongly condemn the violence that has shaken the town of Bambari and the surrounding area in recent days and which has led to the death of around fifty people, mainly civilians.

We urge all groups to cease hostilities immediately and to abstain from acts of reprisal.

The EU remains extremely concerned about the continuing insecurity in the Central African Republic and the resulting reduction of the humanitarian space within the country. This permanent insecurity and the repeated threats to the communities being targeted weaken the basic conditions needed for durable reconciliation.

The European Union will maintain a firm commitment, together with its international partners, to support the stabilisation of the Central African Republic."

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