STATEMENT

on the reported holding of local "elections" in Crimea

“The European Union continues to condemn the illegal annexation of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea and the City of Sevastopol by the Russian Federation and will not recognise it.

In view of reports about local "elections" having taken place in Crimea and Sevastopol, we recall that the European Union recognises neither the legal framework nor the legitimacy of these "elections."

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