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Declaration by the High Representative on behalf of the European Union on the alignment of certain third countries with the Council Decision 2011/173/CFSP concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina

On 21 March 2011, the Council adopted Council Decision 2011/173/CFSP¹. The Council Decision introduces the possibility of imposing restrictive measures against certain natural and legal persons whose activities undermine the sovereignty, territorial integrity, constitutional order and international personality of Bosnia and Herzegovina, seriously threaten the security situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina or undermine the Dayton/Paris General Framework Agreement for Peace.

This declaration is made to announce that the following countries have declared that they share the objectives of Council Decision 2011/173/CFSP: The Candidate Countries Turkey and Montenegro*, the Country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate Albania, and the EFTA country Liechtenstein, member of the European Economic Area, as well as Armenia and Georgia.

They will ensure that their national policies conform to this Council Decision.

The European Union takes note of this commitment and welcomes it.

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* Montenegro continues to be part of the Stabilisation and Association Process.