Statement by the spokesperson of EU High Representative
Catherine Ashton on the attack on the mosque
in Burqin in the West Bank

The spokesperson of Catherine Ashton, High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy and Vice President of the Commission, issued the following statement today:

"The High Representative condemns the attack against the mosque of Burqin village in the West Bank on 7 December 2011, in which a flaming tyre was thrown into the entrance of the mosque and the mosque's walls were sprayed with graffiti.

Accountability and the rule of law are essential. Attacks against places of worship are particularly troubling. The EU calls on the Israeli authorities to investigate the attack and bring the perpetrators to justice.

Provocative actions like this undermine efforts to promote peace in the region."

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