Statement by the spokesperson of EU High Representative Catherine Ashton on the deteriorating health condition of Khader Adnan, a Palestinian held in administrative detention in Israel

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 is following with great concern reports about the deteriorating health condition of Khader Adnan, a Palestinian held in administrative detention in Israel and who has been on hunger strike since mid-December.

The High Representative requests the Government of Israel to do all it can to preserve the health of Mr. Adnan in its continuing handling of this case.

The High Representative reiterates the EU’s longstanding concern about the extensive use by Israel of administrative detention without formal charge. Detainees have the right to be informed about the charges underlying any detention and be subject to a fair trial."

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