Statement by EU High Representative Catherine Ashton on the deadly explosion in Lebanon

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

"I strongly condemn the deadly blast which killed and injured dozens of people in Beirut's Southern suburbs on 15 August. On this day of national mourning, I extend my deepest sympathy to the victims and to their families, as well as to the Lebanese authorities and the people of Lebanon.

The EU supports all efforts to preserve the unity and stability of Lebanon, and the security of its people."

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