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## **Local EU Statement on Yom HaShoah**

*The European Union Delegation issues the following statement  
in agreement with the EU Heads of Mission in Israel*

The EU Delegation to the State of Israel, together with all Embassies of EU Member States in Israel, joins people in Israel commemorating today the victims of the Shoah and the heroes of resistance. We mourn the deaths of six million Jews and millions of other victims. Innocent men, women and children were murdered by the Nazis and their accomplices, simply for being Jewish. Honouring their memory means for us to stand strong against anti-Semitism, prejudice and racial discrimination in all their forms and wherever they occur. This is true today more than ever. Seventy years after the Shoah, we still encounter anti-Semitism in Europe. There are Jewish communities in Europe that again feel insecure and we have been sadly reminded that violent anti-Semitism, intolerance and fanaticism remain a threat. As a Union built on the values of human dignity and human rights after the tragedies of two world wars and the Shoah, we will not allow the return of the demons of anti-Semitism, racism and intolerance. Never forget. Never again.