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Statement by the Spokesperson of the EU High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy / Vice-President of the European Commission on the situation in Lesotho:

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Lesotho has undertaken in recent years a number of significant steps towards strengthening and consolidating governance in the country, thereby overcoming recurrent fragility.

Lesotho has successfully held elections that have led to Lesotho's second coalition government. The recent "Coalition Agreement for Stability and Reform" and the SADC recommendations set out the framework for the government to implement urgent legal, institutional and security sector reforms, engaging with the opposition and other stakeholders.

Recently, there has been a deterioration in the security climate and renewed tensions and divisions, which risk undermining the progress made. Citizens need continued reassurance that the rule of law and accountability will be consistently applied and that reconciliation efforts will be pursued.

The European Union is committed to continue supporting specific efforts in this regard.

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