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Local EU Statement

**Demolition of a Palestinian mosque in Khirbet Yarza situated in Area C in the
Northern West Bank**

The EU missions in Jerusalem and Ramallah regret the recent demolition of a mosque in the village of Khirbet Yarza situated in Area C in the Northern West Bank. This is the third time within a year that this mosque has been demolished. Since the year 2000 more than 4,800 Palestinian houses and structures have been demolished for lacking a building permit in Area C. The EU calls on Israel to review its policy and planning system in order to allow for the socio-economic development of the Palestinian communities.

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