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STATEMENT

**by the Spokesperson of EU High Representative Catherine Ashton
on terrorist attacks in Nigeria**

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 condemns in the strongest terms the horrific terrorist attack perpetrated today in Yobe State and those that took place on previous days and weeks in Northern Nigeria, in Abuja and elsewhere. Her thoughts are with the victims and their families.

The High Representative reiterates the EU's firm rejection of such unjustifiable violence, whoever the perpetrators. Today's attack clearly targeted children and students. Those responsible for this and all other attacks must be brought to justice and be held responsible for their acts.

The EU stands firmly with Nigeria in the fight against terrorism, under the principles of the rule of law, including full respect and protection of human rights."

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