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**by the Spokesperson of EU High Representative Catherine Ashton following
the meeting with Foreign Minister Nalbandian of Armenia**

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:

"High Representative Catherine Ashton met Foreign Minister of Armenia, Edward Nalbandian, in Brussels today as part of their regular contacts. They discussed bilateral relationship between the European Union and Armenia as well as the preparations for the Eastern Partnership Summit in Vilnius at the end of November.

The High Representative stressed that the European Union remains committed to deepening relations with Armenia in all areas that are compatible with Armenia's recently announced new commitments to the Customs Union. She was pleased to hear from the Minister that Armenia remains determined to further the relations with the EU and that it will continue with reform efforts."

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