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## STATEMENT

**by EU High Representative Catherine Ashton  
on the killing of 59 secondary school students in a Federal  
Government College in Buni Yadi, Yobe state, Nigeria**

The High Representative of the European Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy and Vice President of the Commission, issued the following statement today:

*"I strongly condemn the horrific killing of 59 school children in Buni Yadi in the North East of Nigeria, the latest in a series of brutal attacks by terrorists on innocent civilians.*

*Those responsible for this and other attacks must be brought to justice and held responsible for their acts. Our thoughts are with the victims and the families.*

*The EU stands firmly with Nigeria in its fight against terrorism and is ready to provide technical support to the Office of the National Security Advisor."*

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