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by the Spokespersons of the EEAS and the EU Commissioner for Humanitarian Aid on the landslide in Afghanistan

The spokespersons of Catherine Ashton, the High Representative of the European Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy and Vice-President of the Commission, and Kristalina Georgieva, European Commissioner for international cooperation, humanitarian aid, and crisis response issued the following statement today:

"The High Representative and the Commissioner are deeply concerned and saddened to hear of the devastating landslide reported to have claimed the lives of many inhabitants of the Badakshan province in Afghanistan. They express their sympathy to the families of the victims and the people of Afghanistan."

The European Union is following closely the situation in coordination with the Afghan authorities and relevant international partners, while information on the exact scale of this catastrophe is still being gathered. The EU is ready to provide assistance."

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