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## M E S S A G E

### by EU High Representative Catherine Ashton to Maidan protesters

*"I am still in Kiev. I was among you on Maidan in the evening and was impressed by the determination of Ukrainians demonstrating for the European perspective of their country. Some hours later I observe with sadness that police used force to remove peaceful people from the centre of Kiev. The authorities did not need to act under the coverage of night to engage with society by using force. Dialogue with political forces and society and the use of arguments is always better than the argument of force."*

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