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**DECLARATION BY THE PRESIDENCY ON BEHALF OF THE EUROPEAN UNION
ON THE TERRORIST ATTACK IN JERUSALEM (21-8-1995)**

The European Union strongly condemns the attack carried out yesterday against a bus in Jerusalem, in which, according to information received so far, five people have died and many have been wounded.

The EU wishes to express its most heartfelt condolences to the victims' families and to the Israeli Government and people.

Whilst it expresses once again its complete and utter repudiation of all acts of violence aimed at undermining the ongoing negotiations for the interim Agreement between Israel and the Palestinian Authority, the EU reaffirms its commitment to the peace process and calls on the parties involved to continue to demonstrate their courageous political will to bring about the victory of peace over the violence of the minority groups which oppose it.