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**Declaration by the Presidency on behalf of the European Union
concerning Indonesia**

The EU has taken note of the declaration made by the Papuan Congress on 3 June.

The EU has repeatedly stressed its support for a strong, democratic, united and prosperous Indonesia. It has also stressed its support for Indonesia's territorial integrity and for the efforts of the current Indonesian Government to solve problems, such as Aceh and Irian Jaya, through peaceful negotiation.

The EU expects to reiterate that support when EU Foreign Ministers meet the Indonesian Foreign Minister on 14 June to launch the enhanced EU-Indonesia relationship.

The Central and Eastern European Countries associated with the European Union, the associated countries Cyprus, Malta and Turkey, and the EFTA countries, members of the European Economic Area, align themselves with this declaration.