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**Declaration by the Presidency on behalf of the European Union on the resumption
of the proximity talks in Geneva**

The European Union considers the status quo in Cyprus to be unacceptable and supports the United Nations Secretary-General's efforts for a negotiated, comprehensive, just and lasting settlement consistent with the relevant UN Security Council resolutions.

It calls upon the two communities to conduct substantive talks during this session and to contribute actively to a settlement.

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