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**Declaration by the Presidency on behalf of the European Union  
on the situation between India and Pakistan**

The relations between India and Pakistan have a great impact to the regional peace and stability. Incidents during the last 48 hours have caused an increase of tension in their relations.

The European Union calls for India and Pakistan to show utmost restraint and responsibility in reacting to these incidents. The European Union urges India and Pakistan to resume their dialogue as soon as possible and resolve all their differences in a peaceful manner in the spirit of the Lahore declaration.

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

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