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## EC DECLARATION ON RUSSIA

The European Community and its member states are following the events in Moscow with great concern.

They deplore the loss of human life in Moscow for which elements hostile to the democratization process in Russia carry a heavy responsibility, for having deliberately provoked violence in the Russian Parliament and in different parts of the capital.

The Community and its member states reiterate their support for President Yeltsin and the process of reform. The Community and its member states stress the importance of early restoration of peaceful and democratic order.

It is now more than ever necessary that the process towards democracy is carried through, and this should be achieved through free elections which will allow the Russian people to pronounce themselves clearly on their future.

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