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Dear *Antonio,*

We note with grave concern the ongoing exchange of military hostilities between India and Pakistan over the Line of Control in Kashmir and strongly encourage leaderships of both countries to enter dialogue for immediate cessation.

We welcome the strong opening of avenues for dialogue and peace demonstrated by the voluntary repatriation of Wing Commander Abhinandan Varthaman to India by Pakistan.

We deplore the devastating attack by a suicide bomber on the Indian military at Pulwama, Kashmir. Terrorism and violence can never provide a pathway to peace.

No long term solution is possible without the participation of the people of Kashmir in dialogue. We encourage all sides to endeavour towards this end.

The EU is uniquely placed to assist and should work towards this end and stand ready to do so should the right conditions emerge.

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