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POSITION PAPER

First of all, European Union would like to express thanks to the organizer of the discussion for the invitation to this forum and would like to acclaim that is participating in this forum with other countries to discuss current situation in Syria and to introduce her point of view and possible proposals for solving this situation. European Union would like to express her willingness to give other participants a fair hearing and admit other proposal.

Although European Union states represent different point of views concerning this topic

1. Great Britain and France promote the opinion that providing weapons for Syrian opposition would lead to the reinforcement of pressure on al-Assad.
2. Belgium and Germany have the opinion of not furnishing weapons to Syrian deputies. They decided so because of not having the certainty that those weapons receive right hands.
3. V4 with the head of the Czech Republic claim that armed conflicts would have been solved in diplomatic way. As an unambiguous solution these countries consider an agreement behind negotiating table, where they come up to the conclusion which stops bloodshed. Their goal is to secure that Syria had a government which will reflect interests, affections and support of the whole society. At the same time these countries share the opinion that when military intervention against Syria would come, it is needed to have strong international and legal foundation.
4. The rest countries (Luxembourg, Latvia, Sweden, Finland) suppose that the best possible solution for Syria is the constitution of temporary government (representatives of the EU), which would have the support of Syrian inhabitants and sustain the peace in the country.

European Union as an organization always willing to find pacific solution of the problems would like to present its suggestion as congenial entity.

European Union recognize serious situation in Syria. European Union understands various ethnic groups and their desire for democracy but refuse achievement of this desire by fighting, killing. European Union supports an open dialogue between president Assad and leaders of ethnic groups. European Union would like to emphasize that the leaders of the countries should put the good of the people in front of their own needs.

European Union has not only called repeatedly for an end to attacks, but also has supported the idea of solving problems within the frame of UNO. European Union is offering its help for solving this problem by providing places for discussion between concerned parties and is willing to take a position of the 3. party. European Union is also supporting attitudes of the UNO and would like to strengthen the position of the UNO for contribution of solving this crisis.

Beside that, European Union is one of the biggest donor of humanitarian aid to the people, who were intervened by the crisis in Syria and is claiming to continue in this help. European Union is proclaiming that no one of the EU states is going to provide soldiers or weapons to any of concerned party.

At the close of the conference, European Union would like to call other concerned parties to propose their proposals and believe that Forum for 21. century was not convened unreasonably and find the best solution for all participants.

Thank you.