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## STATEMENT

### on the reported holding of local "elections" in Crimea

*"The European Union continues to condemn the illegal annexation of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea and the City of Sevastopol by the Russian Federation and will not recognise it.*

*In view of reports about local "elections" having taken place in Crimea and Sevastopol, we recall that the European Union recognises neither the legal framework nor the legitimacy of these "elections."*

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