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**Javier SOLANA,
EU High Representative for the CFSP,
congratulates Abdullah GÜL
on his election as President of the Republic of Turkey**

Javier SOLANA, EU High Representative for the Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP), telephoned Abdullah GÜL to give him in person the following message of congratulations on his election as President of the Republic of Turkey:

"My warmest congratulations on your election as President of the Republic of Turkey.

I would like to wish you every success in your new tasks and challenges. I am confident that your strong commitment and dedication as well as your highly valuable experience as Foreign Minister will be extremely helpful in this regard, and will contribute to broadening the reform process in Turkey and to strengthening regional stability. The European Union will continue to support you in these efforts.

I wish you every success in your endeavours and look forward to continued close and constructive co-operation."

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