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**Summary of remarks to journalists by
Javier SOLANA,
EU High Representative for the CFSP,
after his meeting with Milo DJUKANOVIC,
Prime Minister of Montenegro**

Javier SOLANA, European Union High Representative for the Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP), met Milo DJUKANOVIC, Prime Minister of Montenegro, today and discussed the outcome of the referendum. The following is a summary of Mr Solana's remarks to journalists after the meeting:

"I met Prime Minister Djukanovic today to discuss the current situation in Montenegro after the referendum.

I have already congratulated the Montenegrin people for the way the referendum was conducted. High turn out and massive international involvement provided full legitimacy for the entire process.

The EU is ready to respect the will of the Montenegrin people, as I have reconfirmed to PM Djukanovic.

The EU calls on all sides concerned to accept the result. For its part, the EU will fully respect the decision of the people of Montenegro.

It is important now that the process of internal consensus-building starts in Montenegro and that the dialogue between Belgrade and Podgorica begins. The visit of President Tadic to Podgorica the other day was a good start.

So far all actors in Montenegro behaved in a European way throughout the process. I expect that this will continue."

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