



**COUNCIL OF
THE EUROPEAN UNION**



Council conclusions on Kyrgyzstan

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The Council adopted the following conclusions:

"The Council expresses its serious concern over the violent confrontation in the south of Kyrgyzstan, which has already led to a significant number of casualties. It expresses its sincere condolences to the families of the victims.

The Council underlines the need to restore public order and respect for the rule of law, insists that all violence and provocations should cease immediately and calls on all sides to show restraint. Dialogue must be restored as a matter of priority.

The Council insists on the need to pursue the political process to build democratic institutions in Kyrgyzstan, notably through the referendum on a new constitution and early elections as announced by the provisional government. This process represents the best chance to ensure peace, institutional stability, open dialogue, rule of law and democracy for the people of Kyrgyzstan.

The Council confirms the EU's readiness to respond to the most urgent humanitarian needs of the affected population. An emergency financing decision will be taken by the Commission. It calls on all parties concerned, as well as neighbouring countries, to take appropriate measures to safeguard access to vulnerable populations and to contribute, where appropriate, to humanitarian support points and corridors, in full accordance with international law.

The Council welcomes the close co-ordination between the European Union, the OSCE and the United Nations and the efforts of the three special envoys. It also asks the High Representative to maintain close contact with the OSCE and the UN and other appropriate actors."

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