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**Javier SOLANA,  
EU High Representative for the CFSP,  
to visit the Middle East**

**from Sunday, 30 August to Wednesday, 2 September 2009**

Javier SOLANA, EU High Representative for the Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP), will visit the Middle East from Sunday, 30 August to Wednesday, 2 September 2009. Mr SOLANA will visit Syria, Israel, the Palestinian Territories, Egypt and Lebanon. His trip takes place in the context of the major push by the international community towards a resolution of the Israeli-Arab conflict.

In Damascus, on Sunday, 30 August, Mr SOLANA will meet President Bashar Al-ASSAD and Foreign Minister Walid Al-MOUALLEM.

In Israel, on Monday, 31 August, Mr SOLANA will meet President Shimon PERES, Prime Minister Benjamin NETANYAHU, Foreign Minister Avigdor LIBERMAN, Defence Minister Ehud BARAK and Kadima Chairwoman Tzipi LIVNI.

In Ramallah, on Monday, Mr SOLANA will meet Prime Minister Salam FAYYAD. He will also meet Colonel Alain FAUGERAS, Head of EUBAM RAFAH, and Chief Constable Paul Robert KERNAGHAN, Head of EUPOL COPPS.

In Beirut, on Tuesday, 1 September, Mr SOLANA will meet representatives of the Lebanese authorities, including President Michel SLEIMANE, Parliament Speaker Nabih BERRI., Prime Minister Fouad SINIORA, Prime Minister-designate Saad HARIRI and Foreign Minister Fawzi SALLOUKH.

In Cairo, on Tuesday evening, Mr SOLANA will meet Amr MOUSSA, Secretary-General of the Arab League, and on Wednesday he will meet President Hosni MUBARAK and Minister Omar Soleiman.

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