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**Statement by
the spokesperson of HR Catherine Ashton,
on Kyrgyzstan**

High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy/Vice President of the European Commission Catherine Ashton has today asked her Special Representative for Central Asia, Pierre Morel, to travel tomorrow to Bishkek, the capital of Kyrgyzstan.

The purpose of the visit is to assess the situation after the latest unrest and identify ways in which the EU, in cooperation with its international partners, can facilitate a peaceful, negotiated resolution to the crisis.

Pierre Morel will coordinate closely with the local EU Presidency and Member States represented in the country, as well as with Special Representatives of the United Nations and the OSCE, who are also travelling to Bishkek.

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