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**Statement by the spokesperson of the HR Catherine Ashton  
on the suicide bombing in Vladikavkaz**

The spokesperson of the High Representative of the European Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy/Vice President of the Commission Catherine Ashton issued the following statement today:

*"The High Representative deeply deplores the tragic loss of lives in the explosion today near the Vladikavkaz central market which killed and wounded many. She would like to express her profound sympathies, condolences and support to the families of the victims, their loved ones, and to the people of Russia."*

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