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Statement by the Spokesperson of EU High Representative Catherine Ashton on the Iranian nuclear issue

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

"On 11 June, the E3+3 met with High Representative Catherine Ashton to discuss the way forward for the Moscow talks on the Iranian nuclear issue. Since the last meeting in Baghdad, EU Political Director Helga Schmid has been in constant contact with her Iranian counterpart Dr. Bagheri. This evening, the High Representative had a one hour phone call with chief Iranian nuclear negotiator Dr. Jalili to update him on the conclusions of the E3+3 meeting. They agreed on the need for Iran to engage on the E3+3 proposals, which address its concerns on the exclusively peaceful nature of the Iranian nuclear programme. She also conveyed the E3+3's readiness to respond to the issues raised by the Iranians in Baghdad."

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