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Statement by the Spokesperson of High Representative Catherine Ashton following the meeting of experts of E3+3 and Iran

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

"In accordance with the agreement reached in Moscow, technical discussions took place in Istanbul on 3rd July. These were led by nuclear expert Stephan Klement on behalf of Catherine Ashton, EU High Representative, with experts from the E3 + 3 meeting with the Iranian team.

The E3+3 provided further detail of the E3+3 proposal given to Iran in Baghdad; Iran shared further detail of their proposal; and the experts explored positions on a number of technical subjects. The meeting lasted for a full day ending at 1am.

As agreed when High Representative/Vice-President Ashton and the E3+3 Political Directors met with Dr. Jalili in Moscow, the technical meeting in Istanbul will be followed by a meeting between Helga Schmid and Dr. Ali Bagheri."

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