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Declaration by the High Representative on behalf of the European Union on the alignment of certain third countries with the Council Decision 2014/145/CFSPconcerning restrictive measures in respect of actions undermining or threatening the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine

On 17 March 2014, the Council adopted Council Decision 2014/145/CFSP<sup>1</sup>.

The Council Decision imposes a travel ban and asset freeze against persons responsible for actions which undermine or threaten the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine.

The Candidate Countries Montenegro\* and Iceland<sup>+</sup>, the Country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate Albania, and the EFTA country Norway, member of the European Economic Area, as well as Ukraine have aligned themselves with this declaration.

They will ensure that their national policies conform to this Council Decision.

The European Union takes note of this commitment and welcomes it.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>+</sup> Iceland continues to be a member of EFTA and of the European Economic Area.



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<sup>\*</sup> Montenegro continues to be part of the Stabilisation and Association Process.