Foreign & Commonwealth Office (UK)

Ambassadors of UK, France, Germany, Spain and Italy meet Syrian Foreign Minister

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Following the meeting in Damascus today, a Foreign Office spokesperson said:

“The Ambassadors of France, Germany, Italy, Spain and the UK met the Syrian Foreign Minister today to discuss the deteriorating situation in Syria.

The Ambassadors voiced the very serious concerns of their governments over the continuing deaths and violence across the country. The Ambassadors reiterated their condemnation of the use of force by the security forces against peaceful demonstrators and urged the Syrian authorities to exercise restraint. They expressed their opposition to any violence whatever its motivation or origin.

On behalf of their governments, the Ambassadors called on the Syrian Government to address the legitimate demands of the Syrian people by urgently implementing a credible programme of political reforms as a path to long term stability in Syria. They called for the release of political prisoners and human rights defenders.”

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