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Foreign Secretary statement on speech by Syrian President

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The Foreign Secretary William Hague said:

“I welcome President Assad’s acknowledgement in his speech today that reform in Syria is necessary and urgent to address the legitimate aspirations of the Syrian people. We call on the Syrian Government to lift the State of Emergency next week as proposed by President Assad and to ensure that those responsible for the deaths of civilians are held to account.”

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