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Statement by High Representative/Vice-President Federica Mogherini on the terrorist attack in Turkey

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Today's terrorist attack in Turkish town of Suruç targeting young volunteers from the Federation of Socialist Youth Associations (SGDF), who were gathered to go and help with the reconstruction of Kobane, aimed to further destabilise the region and communities living side by side. The attack adds to the pain and suffering of Syrian people fleeing violence and destruction, and of the Turkish people so generously engaged in helping them.

The EU stands by the people and government of Turkey at this very difficult time. We are ready to provide practical support to Turkey. We extend our deepest condolences to the bereaved and sympathies to those injured.

Terrorist groups will not prevail in their goal to undermine international steadfast determination to defeat them. The EU, Turkey and all other regional and international partners will work together even more closely to tackle this threat.

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