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Statement by the Spokesperson of High Representative Catherine Ashton following her meeting with Italian Prime Minister Mario Monti

High Representative Catherine Ashton met today with Italian Prime Minister Mario Monti to discuss the situation of the Italian servicemen in India.

The High Representative briefed the Prime Minister on the EU's latest contacts with the Indian authorities. They also discussed the important on-going cooperation between the EU and India on counter-piracy and the mutual interest as expressed in the EU-India Joint Statement to cooperate on the regulation of privately-armed security guards in the context of the International Maritime Organisation.

They agreed to stay in close touch

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