New strategy for Afghanistan

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The Foreign Affairs Council, chaired by the High Representative, Catherine Ashton, led a discussion on the situation in Afghanistan ahead of the London Conference on Afghanistan on 28 January 2010. At this conference the international community is expected to renew its commitment to Afghanistan following the presidential election earlier in the year.

The High Representative emphasised the EU's solidarity with its international partners in the drive to focus attention on efforts to help the Afghan government take greater responsibility for making the country secure. The Union is enhancing its engagement under an Action Plan adopted last October.

In addition, the EU Police Mission in Afghanistan will continue to contribute to the long-term sustainability of police reform in Afghanistan.