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Local EU statement on the eviction of the Abu Asab family in the Old City of Jerusalem

The EU missions in Jerusalem and Ramallah condemn the eviction of the Abu Asab family from their home in the neighborhood of Aqbat al-Khalidiya in the Old City of Jerusalem on 17 February. The family was replaced by Israeli settlers. Further settlement plans including evictions are being moved forward in East Jerusalem, mainly in Sheikh Jarrah, Silwan, the Old City and Beit Safafa.

The EU missions in Jerusalem and Ramallah recall the successive Foreign Affairs Council Conclusions and statements in which the EU has repeated its strong opposition to Israel's settlement policy and actions taken in this context, including evictions and demolitions. The policy of settlement construction and expansion, including in East Jerusalem, is illegal under international law, and its continuation undermines the viability of the two-state solution and the prospect for a lasting peace.

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