

**To: the President of the European Council & the EU High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy / Vice-President of the European Commission**



**Subject: Ongoing Azerbaijani intimidation and aggression towards Armenian population in Nagorno Karabakh**

**14 December 2022,**

Honourable President Michel, honourable High Representative / Vice-President Borrell,

Since the morning hours of 12 December 2022 until now, Azerbaijanis have once again blocked the only route connecting the Republic of Armenia with Nagorno Karabakh. Thus, the 120.000 native Armenian population of Nagorno Karabakh has been under de facto blockade and deprived of their right to free movement. This also means that ambulances and food supply cannot reach Nagorno Karabakh .

If the situation continues it will lead to an imminent humanitarian catastrophe with disastrous consequences. It is unacceptable that under the disguise of environmental activism the Azerbaijani side violates the trilateral ceasefire statement of November 9, 2020, namely its obligation to guarantee the secure movement of citizens, vehicles, and cargo in both directions through this route known as Lachin Corridor.

Since the signature of the ceasefire statement in November 2020, the Azerbaijani side has been using various methods of creating extremely hard and hopeless living conditions for the indigenous Armenian population of Nagorno Karabakh, including military provocations, psychological intimidation and cutting off the gas in freezing winter temperatures.

Dear President, dear High Representative, we herewith call on you to use your powers on behalf of the European Union to take concrete steps and ensure the safety of the native Armenian population of Nagorno Karabakh. We cannot allow this policy of intimidation and aggression from Azerbaijan to continue.

Yours sincerely,

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