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Statement by the Republic of Cyprus at the
International Afghanistan Conference,
Bonn, 5 December 2011

Mr. Chairman,

Cyprus supports all efforts aimed at the transformation of Afghanistan into a stable, secure, functional, democratic and prosperous State.

We welcome the outcome of the Bonn Conference and express hope that the Conference will succeed in achieving the goals set and will provide a new momentum towards political, social and economic development in Afghanistan.

At the same time, Afghanistan has to fulfil its own responsibilities, demonstrate strong leadership and deliver concrete results, especially in the fields of Human Rights, the rule of law, governance, and education.

We support the work carried out by the European External Action Service and the Commission for the negotiation of an ambitious and balanced EU-Afghanistan Cooperation Agreement on Partnership and Development.

We reiterate our support to the Afghan government and people and we wish them every success in their efforts for reconstruction, development and prosperity.

Thank you.