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„The recent events and attacks on KFOR/NATO soldiers as well as civilians in cities of northern Kosovo are irresponsible and represent a new low in the strained relations of Serbia and Kosovo. Such unprovoked attacks on the peacekeeping force are to be condemned in the strongest possible terms.

At the same time, they are further evidence that all parties involved finally must return to the negotiating table in order to end the spiral of violence that has once again escalated over the past year. Both countries are seeking EU membership, but without a fundamental agreement this will remain futile for both.

Yesterday's attacks also make clear that KFOR is still needed after 24 years to provide stability and security. An increase in the existing troop contingent must also be examined in light of the current situation in order to be able to intervene more decisively in an emergency. In doing so, the KFOR mission is and remains impartial in its mission for democracy and security and knows no skin color, religion or ethnicity.“