

## Meeting between HR/ VP Mogherini and Austrian FM Kurz in Vienna

Utl.: HR/VP Mogherini met with FM Sebastian Kurz in the margins of the CTBT Ministerial in Vienna on 13 June =

Vienna, 13 June 2016 (OTS) - Mogherini und Kurz stressed their support for the entry into force of the CTBT and the importance of nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation. They exchanged views and ideas on a number of international and European issues.

They also discussed in depth the refugee- and migration-crisis in Europe. Both agreed that in order to tackle this crisis, a comprehensive European solution is needed. Mogherini and Kurz reiterated the importance of implementing the FAC Council Conclusions of 23 May 2016, in particular to enhance the capacity of EUNAVFOR MED Operation Sophia to disrupt the business model of human smugglers and trafficking networks and to contribute to broader security in support of the legitimate Libyan authorities.

Sebastian Kurz welcomed the new communication by the European Commission on "Establishing a Partnership Framework with Third Countries under the European Agenda on Migration" from 7 June 2016. Moreover, they stressed the importance for EU and member states to respond to urgent humanitarian needs and to provide development assistance in the countries of origin and transit in order to address the root-causes of the refugee- and migration-crisis as well as to open legal venues for migration via resettlement-programmes.

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