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EU Diplomats Support Keeping Sanctions Against Russia Over Ukraine

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Following a recent European Council [meeting](#) on 6 February, EU foreign ministers have stated that sanctions against Russia must remain in force until it helps end fighting in eastern Ukraine. Foreign policy chief Federica Mogherini stated that the EU will never recognise Russia's 2014 annexation of the Crimean Peninsula and insisted that all sides must respect the Minsk peace agreement, aimed at ending the fighting in eastern Ukraine.

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