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## Statement by the European Union in relation to "Statement by the Republic of Türkiye to the $24^{th}$ Special Meeting of the Commission" (PLE\_131/2024)

The European Union (EU) and its Member States regret that Türkiye felt it necessary to make a unilateral declaration regarding the Republic of Cyprus during the 24th Special Meeting of the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT) which is being held in Cyprus from 11 to 18 November.

The EU recalls that it recognises only the Republic of Cyprus as a subject of international law and underlines the importance it attaches to the normalisation of relations between the Republic of Cyprus and Türkiye.

The EU remains fully committed to a comprehensive settlement of the Cyprus problem, within the UN framework, in accordance with the relevant UNSC resolutions and in line with the principles on which the Union is founded and the *acquis*.