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## **Joint Local Statement on the distribution of humanitarian supplies in Nepal**

*The European Union Delegation, the Heads of Mission of Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, the UK, and the Heads of Mission of Norway and Switzerland issue the following statement in Nepal.*

Kathmandu, 6 October 2015 - The Heads of Mission in Nepal express their support and encouragement for efforts to resolve the current difficulties affecting the supply and distribution of humanitarian supplies in the country, particularly of goods urgently needed for the adaptation of temporary shelters to the coming winter.

The effects of this situation are most heavily felt by the poorest segments of the population, including in the Terai. The lack of basic goods is taking a heavy toll on the economy of Nepal, where recent earthquakes have pushed an additional 3.5% of the population under the poverty line, according to the estimates of the Post-Disaster Needs Assessment.

The Heads of Mission hope for a prompt solution of this situation. The ongoing talks represent a unique opportunity to make progress in this direction and the Heads of Mission encourage all involved to take advantage of it in a spirit of responsibility and compromise.

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