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The Standing Committee on Foreign and European Affairs expresses its grave concern about the escalation of tensions in Israel and Gaza following the terroristic attacks committed by Hamas.

The Committee unequivocally and categorically condemns the coordinated terror attacks by Hamas which have led to the loss of innocent civilian life of so many, including children

Such terroristic attacks are a blatant violation of international law. These acts of terror, together with the indiscriminate barrage of rockets into Israel are deplorable and completely unjustifiable.

They must cease immediately.

This Committee is equally concerned about the well-being of civilians, including women and children, particularly Israeli civilians who were abducted by Hamas and taken into Gaza. We call on the immediate and unconditional safe release of all hostages.

This Committee reiterates Israel's right to defend its territory and its people.

This right should however be exercised within the remit of international law.

We express our grave concern on the present situation on Gaza where indiscriminate attacks and actions are creating innocent victims caught in this conflict.

We ask that Israel abide to the rules of International Law and demand the international community and all those with an influence in the conflict to mobilize all efforts towards the finding of a peaceful solution to this grave situation developing around us.