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Mr. President of the European Council

Mr. President,

These past years, the EURODEFENSE network has sent to you the conclusions of some of the surveys which it carries out in the area of the *Common Security and Defence Policy*, and you have acknowledged them.

Convinced of the European Basin importance for the security of Europe, EURODEFENSE has kept track of the situation evolvement in that region, especially since 2011 and the uprisings in the Middle East and North African countries. The developments in progress do not show any improvement of the situation, and it becomes indispensable and urgent that the European Union commit more itself towards the stability of the region.

The nations acting individually cannot take effective action against the subdevelopment which feeds illegal immigration, jihadism, terrorism. The European Union must work out a project coordinating the action of its members for defending the interests of Europe as a whole.

In that prospect, the 13 national associations EuroDéfense have worked out the attached report. Thus EURODEFENSE wishes to bring a useful contribution to the thinking of those authorities in charge of these problems within the European institutions. Thank you for giving your attention to our report; should you wish, EURODEFENSE stands ready to give further development to it.

Unless you raise an objection, this letter and the attached report might be copied to the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy, to the President of the European Commission and to the President of the Sub-committee Security and Defence of the European Parliament.

Sincerely yours.

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Encl: Report "The Arab awakening three years on; Implications for EU security and defence" (7 pages)