
EU FAILS TO AGREE ON CALL FOR HUMANITARIAN PAUSE TO ALLOW AID INTO GAZA

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Josep Borrell says there is a basic consensus but no unanimity.

The European Unions foreign ministers failed to reach an agreement at a meeting on Monday on recommending a humanitarian pause to allow aid to reach Palestinians in Gaza as Israel continues its airstrikes on the besieged territory.

U.N. Secretary-General Antonio Guterres called for an immediate humanitarian ceasefire last week but EU ministers have discussed what foreign affairs chief Josep Borrell called a less ambitious humanitarian pause. Borrell stressed that while the EU cannot decree a pause, it can send the message that it is in favor of one.

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