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Letter dated 30 May 2012 from the Permanent Representatives of Denmark, Kuwait, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and Turkey, the Ambassador of the European Union to the United Nations Office at Geneva and the Ambassador of the United States of America to the Human Rights Council addressed to the President of the Human Rights Council

We have the honour to address the present letter to you to request the convening of a special session of the Human Rights Council, as provided for by General Assembly resolution 60/251, on the deteriorating human rights situation in the Syrian Arab Republic and the recent killings in El-Houleh, to be held on 1 June 2012.

We make the present request on behalf of the States Members and observers of the Human Rights Council that co-signed the attached list of co-sponsors: Australia, Austria, Bahrain, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, Croatia, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Djibouti, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Guatemala, Honduras, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Kuwait, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Maldives, Malta, Mexico, Monaco, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, the Republic of Moldova, the Republic of Korea, Romania, Saudi Arabia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Tunisia, Turkey, the United Arab Emirates, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the United States of America and Uruguay.

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