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- Joint Communiqué 11TH **AFRICA - EU** MINISTERIAL TROIKA MEETING Addis Ababa, 20-21 November 2008:

http://www.consilium.europa.eu/uedocs/cms_Data/docs/pressdata/en/er/104245.pdf EN COMMUNIQUE CONJOINT, 11ème REUNION MINISTERIELLE DE LA TROIKA AFRIQUE-UE Addis-Abeba (Ethiopie), 20 – 21 NOVEMBRE 2008 :

http://www.consilium.europa.eu/uedocs/cms Data/docs/pressdata/fr/er/104246.pdf

> Africa-EU Partnership on Democratic Governance and Human Rights (p.4):

"The dialogue for cooperation in international fora and on global level has been enhanced and concrete proposals in this regard have been made; further progress towards the establishment of the platform on governance and human rights has been achieved, the dialogue on human rights has been strengthened. Progress is expected on the ratification of the African Charter on Democracy, Elections and Governance. Cooperation on elections observation will be deepened through support to the electoral assistance and observation fund; discussions on the possibility of participation of African election observers at the 2009 elections for the European Parliament is ongoing. In the area of cultural cooperation, an inventory of the main ongoing activities will be made. Joint initiatives to combat illicit trade of cultural goods will be undertaken."

> Sudan (p.10):

"Ministers also called on all parties to the conflict to stop without delay the repeated human rights violations including sexual violence against women and abuse of children."

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IN NOVANIA STATEMANA

- Main results of the **EU-Russia Summit** (14 November) http://www.eu2008.fr/PFUE/lang/en/accueil/PFUE-11_2008/PFUE-14.11.2008/CR Sommet UE Russie
 - > No mention of human rights
- EU drafts broad mandate for **Georgia** war probe 19.11.2008 17:32

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The EU is getting ready to adopt a wide-ranging mandate for a "truth mission" to investigate who started the war in Georgia, as allegations fly over Georgia's shelling of Tskhinvali, the capital of the rebel-held South Ossetia region. http://euobserver.com/9/27139/?rk=1

- Déclaration de la présidence du Conseil de l'Union européenne au sujet de la nomination de Madame Heidi Tagliavini à la tête de la mission d'enquête internationale indépendante sur le conflit en **Géorgie** :

http://www.ue2008.fr/PFUE/lang/fr/accueil/activites/PFUE/lang/fr/evenementsJournalistes?categorie=PFUE_TYPE_DOC_FOND

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- Déclaration de la présidence du Conseil de l'Union européenne sur la résolution votée a l'Assemblée générale des Nations Unies pour un moratoire sur la peine de mort (20 novembre) : http://www.ue2008.fr/PFUE/lang/fr/accueil/activites/PFUE/lang/fr/evenementsJournalistes?categorie=PFUE_TYPE_DOC_FOND