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Council of Europe Secretary General calls on Belarus President to stop three imminent executions

Statement by Terry Davis

Strasbourg, 28.11.2007 - "I call on President Lukashenko of Belarus to stop the executions of Syarhey Marozaw, Ihar Danchanka and Valeri Gorbatii. Whatever crimes have been committed by these men, their execution will not serve justice nor help to protect the citizens of Belarus.

That is why 47 out of 48 countries in Europe have not executed anyone for many years. A decision to stop the execution of Marozaw, Danchanka and Gorbatii would send a positive signal about the prospects for future relations between Belarus and the Council of Europe."

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