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NATO says violence is unacceptable

Naples, 28 Sep 2011 - During the violent outbreak that occurred at the Jarinje Check Point on September 27, 2011, NATO reacted swiftly to restore a safe and secure environment in support of the EULEX rule of law efforts.

A few Serbian extremists attempted to provoke violence but the incident has been resolved and the situation is now tense, but calm.

“NATO recognizes the right to peaceful and lawful protests and demonstrations; however slowing and stopping traffic via roadblocks hurts shop owners, consumers and creates a dangerous situation for emergency services,” explained Navy Captain Ike Skelton V, NATO Allied Joint Force Command Naples Spokesperson. “When protests turn violent and freedom of movement is impeded, NATO will need to act.”

The freedom of movement needs to be re-established and all roadblocks voluntarily removed for the benefit of all people.

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