EU and NATO representatives release about Turkey's Operation Peace Spring – October 10, 2019

Turkey launched the Operation Peace Spring in order to create safe areas for the eastern Euphrates on October 9, 2019. While EU Foreign Affairs and Security Policy High Representative Federica Mogherini emphasized to halt the operation from Turkey, NATO also expressed its concerns against the plan. Juncker, The president of the EU Commission, told the European Parliament that EU understands Turkey's "security concerns" along the border. But he warned the military action would not lead to a "good result" for the region. Acording to Turkey, the terrorist group PKK and its extension the YPG/PYD constitute the biggest threat to Syria's future, jeopardizing the country's territorial integrity and unitary structure. Turkey plans to resettle two million Syrians in a 30-km-wide (19-mi) safe zone to be set up in Syria.

