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EU considers sending back staffs' families

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The European Union (EU) has described the current Bangladesh situation as very critical and fears further attacks like that of Gulshan café and is actively considering sending back their staff members' families to Europe, reports UNB.

"We're not overreacting," the BBC Bangla quoted EU Ambassador in Dhaka Pierre Mayaudon as saying yesterday.

In an interview with BBC Bangla, Mayaudon said they are actively considering sending back their staff members' families due to the current security concern. "We'll take the final decision within the next few days."

A security expert from the EU headquarters has already arrived in Dhaka and the expert will complete the security evaluation within a week, the EU envoy was quoted as saying.

Meanwhile, our diplomatic correspondent reports: the United Kingdom in an updated travel advice on Tuesday said there is a heightened threat of further terrorist attacks in Bangladesh and foreigners, in particular westerners, may be directly targeted.

The Foreign and Commonwealth Office in its updated travel advice said British citizens should remain vigilant, monitor local and social media and follow any specific advice of the local security authorities to avoid certain areas.