



**Statement on the situation in Myanmar**  
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We stand with the United Nations Security Council and call for the immediate release of all detainees and an end to all repressive measures targetting the civilian population of Myanmar.

We stress the need to uphold democratic institutions and processes and the full respect for human rights, fundamental freedoms and the rule of law.