

Joint declaration on EU support to peace-building in Myanmar

Both the Government of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar and the European Union acknowledge the currently offered historic chances for securing lasting peace in Myanmar.

The prospect of creating trust, building peace, enhancing the respect for human rights and helping economic prosperity in regions emerging from violent conflict must not be missed.

The Government of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar and the European Union are determined to cooperate closely in this joint endeavour.

The Myanmar Peace Centre, as established by Presidential Decree, shall serve as a platform for inclusive and non-partisan dialogue. It shall reach out to all groups and communities connected to the peace process, including international and national, governmental and nongovernmental, individuals and organizations at both the regional and central levels.

The Government of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar and the European Union expect and believe that the Myanmar Peace Centre will be a key element for achieving a just and lasting peace in Myanmar. The European Union is keen to support the Myanmar Peace Centre in the carrying out of its important mandate.

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