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In a declaration on behalf of the EU, High Representative Federica Mogherini congratulated the parties on their determination to conclude a challenging negotiation process.

“After decades of armed conflict and civilian suffering, this day marks a significant milestone on Myanmar/Burma's road to peace, security and prosperity,” she said.

Compromises were made by all parties, demonstrating strong political will to address long-standing grievances through dialogue and co-operation rather than conflict and violence.

“The signing of the NCA is essential to establish a just and lasting peace in Myanmar/Burma. It allows for the start of a comprehensive, inclusive and credible political dialogue which will be the next step towards national reconciliation, respect for the rights of persons belonging to minorities and equitable development for all.”

Not all ethnic armed organisations have signed the NCA today and the EU calls for dialogue with the groups that have not signed to be prioritised so as to build trust. It is positive that these groups are included, as observers, in the next phase of the process.

As a long-standing partner and active supporter of Myanmar/Burma's peace process, the EU was invited to sign the Nationwide Ceasefire Agreement as an international witness. The EU and its Member States will continue to closely follow the peace process and remain committed to further supporting it.

### **Read more:**

- [Declaration by the High Representative for Foreign and Security Policy, Federica Mogherini, on behalf of the European Union on the occasion of the signing of a Nationwide Ceasefire Agreement in Myanmar/Burma](#)
- [Myanmar: EU Support for the peace process](#)

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