Statement by the spokesperson of EU High Representative Catherine Ashton on the acquittal of Anwar Ibrahim for sodomy

The spokesperson of Catherine Ashton, High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy and Vice President of the Commission, issued the following statement today:

"The High Representative welcomes the fact that Mr. Anwar Ibrahim has been acquitted today. This verdict shows the integrity of Malaysia’s judicial system which is an essential pillar in a democratic system. The High Representative hopes that the matter will now be put to rest. She calls on Malaysia to revoke its laws criminalizing homosexual relations."

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