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## EEAS and Spain sign Memorandum of Understanding on sharing diplomatic premises in Myanmar/Burma

On 10 February 2014, a Memorandum of Understanding was signed between the European External Action Service and Spain. This agreement will establish the Spanish Embassy within the premises of the EU Delegation to Myanmar.

The Memorandum of Understanding was signed by Mr David O'Sullivan, Chief Operating Officer of the European External Action Service, and by Mr Gonzalo de Benito, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs on behalf of Spain.

The EEAS and Spain have already collaborated successfully in this field, implementing two other colocation projects in Yemen and Azerbaijan. This new agreement demonstrates the shared interest of the EEAS and Member States in further developing cooperation in practical areas. Since the creation of the EEAS, eight colocation projects with different Member States (Austria, the Czech Republic, Germany, Denmark, Finland, France, Italy, Luxemburg, Netherlands, Spain and the United Kingdom) have been established in several third countries.

Beyond the immediate economic advantages, colocation offers the opportunity to facilitate mutual cooperation and to give greater force and coherence to Europe's voice in third countries.

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