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to the Vice-President of the Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy

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Subject: Execution of political prisoners in Myanmar

The situation in Myanmar is escalating every day, while the EU stays silent on the matter. The military junta has announced that it will execute four high-profile political prisoners, including two of the most prominent politicians and human rights activists in Myanmar, Phyo Zeya Thaw and Kyaw Min Yu.¹ These executions will very likely lead to a further escalation of violence in the country.

In this context:

1. Is the European External Action Service (EEAS) aware that these high-profile political prisoners in Myanmar are facing execution?
2. Does the EEAS plan to use the diplomatic tools at its disposal to prevent these executions? If so, which ones and how?

¹ <https://www.france24.com/en/live-news/20220603-myanmar-junta-says-will-carry-out-first-judicial-executions-in-decades?ref=tw>