



Barcelona, 11<sup>th</sup> of July 2019

Your Excellency,

As you are probably aware, information has come to light on the activities conducted by the Spanish Government in regard to the Delegations of the Catalan Government abroad and, specifically, those in Berlin, Geneva and London, as part of an effort aimed at dismantling Catalonia's legal and legitimate foreign action and, especially, its Delegations abroad.

According to the information released, such activities included the monitoring and surveillance in foreign soil of the day-to-day work of the representatives of the Catalan Government.

The Government of Catalonia strongly condemns these activities, which target the legal and legitimate work of officials representing a democratically elected Government.

We particularly regret that these actions have taken place in your territory and may have affected the right to privacy of Irish citizens and public officials.

We believe that the resources and efforts that the Spanish Ministry of Foreign Affairs has devoted to this attempt to suppress and muzzle political dissent would have been better allocated to the more fruitful path of dialogue as a means to democratically address a political issue.

We would like to take this opportunity to reaffirm our intention to continue working, through our Delegations abroad, in order to strengthen the cooperation between Ireland and Catalonia.

We remain at your disposal for any further information or clarification you may require.

With sincere appreciation,

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of Catalonia*

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*Minister for Foreign Action,  
Institutional Relations and  
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