

MALAGASY MIARA-MIAINGA PARTY PRESS RELEASE NO. 006/2023

The Malagasy Miara-Miainga Party (MMM), through its National President Hajo Andrianainarivelo, reached out several times to his colleagues in the International Democratic Centrists (IDC-CDI) regarding the situation of Democracy in Madagascar.

In response, on June 15, 2023, the Secretary General of the IDC-CDI and Member of the European Parliament, Mr. Antonio López-Istúriz, with the support of Mr. David McAllister, President of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the European Parliament, delivered a letter to Mr. Josep Borell, Vice-President of the European Commission and High Representative of the Union for Foreign affairs and Security, in order to alert the latter to the situation of democracy in Madagascar.

On July 10, 2023, Mr. Josep Borrell submitted his response which recognizes the democratic challenges that Madagascar must face and which also evokes the European Union's concern about the Malagasy Government's decision to restrict political meetings in public places. The situation of democracy in Madagascar thus arouses the concern of the European Union, which is thinking of sending a mission of electoral experts for the next presidential elections in Madagascar.

The MMM and the IDC-CDI are thus delighted with their fruitful collaboration that made it possible to highlight issues related to public freedoms and democracy in Madagascar.

Antananarivo, Madagascar, 12th July 2023