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MFA'S COMMENT REGARDING INTERPRETATIONS BY THE SPANISH PRESS OF LITHUANIA'S POSITION ON SPAIN'S INTERNAL ISSUES

Lithuanian Ministry of Foreign Affairs is concerned that the Spanish press tendentiously misinterprets Lithuania's position on the Catalan issue.

We are proud that the people of Lithuania have found their way to independence and also are known for the unique Baltic Way, which has brought together the three Baltic States aiming to break free from the Soviet Union.

We stress that it is not correct to compare the Soviet occupation of the Baltic States with the situation in Spain. Spain is a democratic country, a member state of the European Union and Lithuania's close ally in the EU and NATO.

All internal and domestic problems and questions should be solved according to Spain's law and Constitution.

Lithuania highly appreciates its bilateral and multilateral cooperation with Spain and we hope that these tendentious publications will not affect the mutual understanding between our two peoples.