



PRESS STATEMENT FROM OVS SPA

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OVS strongly condemns the human rights abuses in Myanmar and offers its support to the workers' organisations.

OVS produces some of its orders in Myanmar and is currently monitoring developments in the ongoing situation there. In order to take a position in support of workers' conditions in Myanmar, OVS has decided to **sign the appeal launched by Clean Clothes** (<https://cleanclothes.org/news/2021/garment-brands-and-manufacturers-must-condemn-the-military-coup-and-support-workers-in-myanmar>) and many other NGOs and international Trade Unions .

Given the small number of orders currently made in Myanmar, OVS could very easily abandon production there; however, while it is possible, the company will be maintaining a limited presence in Myanmar, suspending any business with suppliers who carry out discriminatory acts against workers involved in protest actions.

OVS has always placed respect for and protection of human rights at the heart of its activities, together with ethical action and transparency.