



European Union
Delegation to Singapore

**Joint Local Statement
following three executions in Singapore on 26 and 27 November 2025**

28 November 2025

The Delegation of the European Union issues the following statement, together with the diplomatic missions of the EU Member States and the diplomatic missions of Norway, Switzerland and the United Kingdom in Singapore:

The EU Delegation and the diplomatic missions of the EU Member States and of Norway, Switzerland and the United Kingdom deplore the executions of a 53 year-old Singaporean man on 26 November 2025, and of Singaporean citizen Mohammad Rizwan bin Akbar Husain and Malaysian citizen Saminathan Selvaraju on 27 November 2025.

We regret that Singapore has now executed seventeen individuals in 2025. This represents a significant increase in the use of capital punishment in Singapore – the highest annual number of executions in over twenty years.

We strongly oppose capital punishment in all cases and in all circumstances. The death penalty is incompatible with the inalienable right to life and is a cruel, inhumane or degrading punishment that fails to act as deterrent to crime and makes miscarriages of justice irreversible.

Imposing the death penalty for drug offences is incompatible with international law, as these offences do not meet the threshold of “most serious crimes”. Furthermore, rehabilitation as an objective of modern criminal law is rendered impossible by the application of capital punishment.

We continue to call for the universal abolition of the death penalty, urging Singapore to implement a moratorium and to move towards abolition, in line with the worldwide trend.