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THANK YOU, SAYS ROYAL COUPLE

London.—Prince Harry and his wife Meghan yesterday thanked all those involved in their lavish wedding at the weekend as they released official photographs from their big day.

Harry and Meghan, now officially known as the Duke and Duchess of Sussex, tied the knot on Saturday at Windsor Castle, Queen

Elizabeth's home to the west of London, in a splendid display of British royal pomp and ceremony.

"The Duke and Duchess of Sussex would like to thank everyone who took part in the celebrations of their wedding on Saturday," Harry's office Kensington Palace said in a statement.

Spain acts to maintain direct rule

Madrid—Spain acted to maintain direct rule on Catalonia yesterday after the government objected to the choice of councillors by fervent separatist leader Quim Torra who has vowed to recreate the administration fired by Madrid for declaring independence.

Madrid and Barcelona are engaged in a stand-off after regional elections called by the government in December returned a majority of seats for pro-independence parties. Madrid has imposed direct rule until a

new regional government is in place.

It is uncertain now when direct rule will be lifted. Spanish Prime Minister Mariano Rajoy said yesterday he hoped Catalonia would soon form a viable government that would obey the law. "I hope there will soon be a government that is viable, that obeys the law and that enters into dialogue with us - one that will work to recover institutional and political normality in our country," he said in a speech at an event in Galicia.

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