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## Resolutions on Myanmar's Civil War and Illegitimate Elections

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In light of the Myanmar military junta's announcement of a general election amidst ongoing civil war and widespread repression, we, the Progressive Alliance (PA), reaffirm our unwavering solidarity with the people of Myanmar, the democratic movement, the democratic ethnic political parties and the National Unity Government (NUG) in their struggle for democracy, human rights, and lasting peace.

Since the illegal coup d'état of February 1, 2021, Tatmadaw, the armed forces of Myanmar, has unlawfully seized power, committing grave violations of international humanitarian law and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, leaving thousands of civilians dead, tens of thousands arrested, thousands detainees dead in custody due to systematic abuse, and millions displaced from their homes.

Under these ongoing conditions, any elections organized by the Tatmadaw are illegitimate, designed solely to entrench military rule and deny the people of Myanmar their rightful democratic future.

In this regard, the Progressive Alliance:

- **Condemns the planned sham elections** and denounces any election organized by the Tatmadaw as null, void, and undemocratic under international law and the 2008 Myanmar Constitution.
- **Demands an immediate nationwide ceasefire** and calls on the Tatmadaw to end all hostilities, halt indiscriminate airstrikes, and engage in inclusive political dialogue across all parties to end the armed conflict.
- **Calls for unhindered humanitarian access** and urges the junta to allow international aid agencies, NGOs, and cross-border humanitarian operations full and safe access to internally displaced populations, especially along border regions, to ensure food, medicine, and shelter. Calls upon the Government of Thailand and other neighboring countries to facilitate humanitarian corridors, enable aid delivery.
- **Demands the immediate release of all political prisoners** and condemns the mass arrests of political leaders, activists, journalists, and ordinary citizens which



undermine the very foundation of democracy. Their immediate release is therefore a prerequisite for any genuine election.

- **Reaffirms the rights of all persecuted ethnic and religious minorities in Myanmar**, and stresses that accountability for crimes committed against them, including the atrocities of 2017, must remain a priority for the international community. Any democratic future of Myanmar must guarantee equal rights and protection for all ethnic and religious groups.
- **Reaffirms the legitimacy of the 2020 general election results** and recognizes the mandate given to the National League for Democracy (NLD) by over 18 million voters and declares that the restoration of democratic governance is essential for stability.
- **Recognizes that Myanmar's democratic struggle is carried by a broad coalition of forces**, including ethnic political parties, ethnic resistance organizations, civil society, youth and women's movements. Lasting peace and democracy can only be achieved through inclusive dialogue that ensures political participation and rights for all of Myanmar's ethnic nationalities.
- **Calls for transparent, inclusive, and credible future elections** and urges the establishment of an independent electoral commission with guarantees of inclusive and equal participation for all political parties, freedom of expression, assembly, and media, international election observers to ensure transparency and legitimacy.
- **Appeals to the international community** and urges the ASEAN, EU, United Nations, and all democratic partners to reject recognition of any junta-led election, increase targeted sanctions against the Tatmadaw leadership, and provide humanitarian and technical support to Myanmar's democratic movements, including democratic political parties, civil society organizations and grassroots initiatives committed to restoring democracy.
- **Highlights the crucial role of women in Myanmar's democratic movement**, both in civil society and political leadership, and calls for full gender equality and women's participation in all democratic processes, in line with international human rights standards.
- **Urges the international community to provide not only humanitarian aid but also long-term support for democracy, free media, trade unions and grassroots organizations.** Calls for increased international efforts to investigate and prosecute war crimes and crimes against humanity committed by the junta.

The Progressive Alliance stands firmly with the people of Myanmar in their fight for freedom, dignity, and democracy. We call upon all regional and international partners to join us in rejecting the sham elections and to support the restoration of democratic governance in Myanmar.