National League for Democracy  
No: (97/B), West Shwegondine  
Bahan Township, Rangoon  

Statement 100 (11/98)  

1. Ko Htoon Tint Way (a) Ko Htoon Zaw Zaw, one of the leaders of the Central Youth wing of the NLD was handed down a sentence out of all proportion to the offence he was charged with by the Rangoon Division, Thingangyin Court on 2 November 1998.

2. He was charged under Sections 420 and 468 of the Penal Code. The Sentence was 7 years for offending Section 420 and 7 years for Section 468 which are maximum sentences for each offence.

3. In awarding the maximum sentences allowed under the law, there is reason to believe that severity and harshness resorted to are indicative of hatred and spite.

4. The National League for Democracy makes a serious and emphatic denunciation of the actions of the authorities.

Central Executive Committee  
National League for Democracy  

5 November 1998.