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Statement 180 (12/99) (translation)  

1. Political prisoners U Tin Aye Kyu and U Tin Myint in the Mandalay Jail have not been released despite having served the full term. Their prison term was extended on the orders of the Minister for Home Affairs under "Section 10 (a) of the Law to protect the state from disturbing elements" which was handed to them at the departure point in the jail. These two were not granted any reduction in the jail term for good behaviour which are mandatory rights provided in the Prison Law and Prison Manual. In this way not only are the authorities violating the law but are resorting to devious ways of deliberately and unjustly tormenting the minds and bodies of their captives.  

2. Eleven political prisoners in the Mandalay jail are Dr. Zaw Min, Dr. Nay Win, U Tin Aye Kyu, U Tin Myint (Processes milk), Ko Tin Aye, Ko Khin Maung Thant, U Zarni Aung, U Thein Than U, U Kyaw Sein Aung, U Naing Myint, U Htay Nyunt have all served their sentences but have had to remain imprisoned because of the action under 10 (b) as shown above. We give notice to all who are instrumental in this process of torment and illegal detention that you will be held entirely responsible for consequences that will flow because of such action. We vehemently condemn this illegal and unjust operation.

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