

NLD Statement 90/2000:

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

Statement 90 (6/00) (translation)

1. On the 9th June, 2000, one U Kyaw Yin, Secretary of the Ward Union Solidarity and Development Association (USDA) went to 50 Arzani Road, Saya San (North) Ward, Bahan Township, Rangoon Division, the residence of Daw Myint Myint Aye and required that she take her daughter Ma Swe Swe Khaing (member of the NLD Youth Wing) to the authorities. That if this was done, he guaranteed that no harm would come to her. The mother refused.

2. On the evening of 13 June 2000, Maung Kyaw Yin accompanied by one Military Intelligence person and two females again visited the house and asked for Ma Pauk and Ma Moe (a) Ma Ni Ni Khaing. These two girls could not be found so they left at about 10:00 p.m.

3. The next night (14 June 2000) at 1 o'clock, five men of the Military Intelligence, two females and Kyaw Yin (USDA) went to the house and because they could not find Ma Pauk they captured Ma Moe (a) Ma Ni Ni Khaing (Assistant to the Treasurer of the township organizing committee) and her elder sister Ma Yee Yee Khaing and an infant aged 1 year and 7 months.

4. From the above it is obvious that the Union Solidarity and Development Association which is purely a social welfare organisation is being used in intelligence service and given administrative powers. Forcibly taking whomever they want as hostages is a criminal offence. These offences are being perpetrated against all Youth Wing members who have committed no offence whatsoever in all townships and we forcefully and thoroughly condemn them. We demand that all those captives be immediately released.

Central Executive Committee
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Rangoon
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