

National League for Democracy
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Statement 131 (8/00) (translation)

1. Information received is that a plot was hatched at the annual general meeting of the USDA Kaw-hmu township (Rangoon Division) on the 29 July 2000 between the authorities and the USDA members to stage a shouting demonstration for the destruction of the NLD. It was decided that members of the USDA would not wear their uniforms while doing their rounds.
2. The following day (30 July 2000) in continuation of that plot, a meeting of the authorities of the wards and villages was held where the instruction was about getting the signatures of 18 year olds and above, list of those who refused to sign and to make it compulsory for one from every household to attend on the day of the function.
3. Currently, ten-house-headmen, hundred-house-headmen, USDA members in mufti are going about forcibly entering every house and demanding names of those over 18 which are being entered on prepared forms under the title "**Signatures of Kaw-hmu voters who have lost confidence in the National League for Democracy (a party with bad doctrines) and ask for its dissolution**". Then they were being pressured to attend the shouting demonstration function scheduled for the 15 August 2000.
4. Our information is that the Military Intelligence personnel are not acting in the forefront of these demonstrations but are behind the scenes manipulating the USDA members to do their bidding. The Union Solidarity and Development Association is not a political party. It is a social welfare organisation and under the law it cannot indulge in political activities. Even if it occasionally participates in politics, it infringes the law under which it is allowed to operate. Most members of the USDA are not aware of this fact.
5. The majority of the USDA members are offenders of Section 5(f) and (g). They are wrong doers, thieves, dacoits, and gamblers. Abysmally wicked, foolish and thickheaded they do not have a clue about politics, legal affairs and have no general knowledge. So they perform the military intelligence personnel give to them.
6. Some utterly despicable USDA members and the military intelligence people are using the intellectually inferior majority of the USDA membership for the purpose of destroying the citizens of the country and forcing them to perform illegal acts for the demise of the NLD. "The lion's eyes are getting red portending doom to the country" is the expression on every body's lips. Not very long ago, the Minister for Home Affairs instructed all the top members of the police force to demolish the NLD before the end of the year 2000.
7. It can be positively asserted that no country in the world at any time has experienced the kind of persecution and immoral conditions as are happening in Burma today. The military dictators, the military intelligence, the police force, the USDA, the administration, the civil servants and all the organizations and groups under their control are devising methods and devising illegal operations to destroy and demolish the people, their desire for democracy and their support for the democratically elected national political party, the NLD.

8. The end result of all this unprecedented depraved and evil doings by the military dictators against a majority who's views are not the same as theirs will be entire loss and will not work for the prosperity of the country. The genuine desires of the people, rather, the genuine expression of their desire as historically recorded cannot be wiped out by any one or any group. It has never been. It will never be. In the end, RIGHT will overcome MIGHT. To preserve your country, your people, your religion and its teachings, to stop the deteriorating conditions in all the spheres, mental, physical and spiritual of the Burmese people we urge the military dictators to change before it is too late. We strongly condemn your evil practices.

Central Executive Committee
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