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Prevention of armed conflict**Promotion and protection of human rights: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives****Letter dated 15 May 2021 from the Permanent Representative of Myanmar to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General**

I would like to draw your urgent attention to the horrible situation in Myanmar, in particular in Mindat, Chin State. After the Myanmar military (Tatmadaw) staged the coup d'état on 1 February 2021, it killed over 800 people and arrested over 4,000 people. The murderous military and security forces have persistently committed irresponsible, irrational and disproportionate actions against the civilians.

Despite the continued calls by all relevant stakeholders, including the international community, the military has failed to end all forms of violence against the innocent people. It instead has accelerated acts of terrorism in many places across Myanmar.

In this regard, I wish to enclose herewith an announcement of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the National Unity Government of Myanmar dated 15 May 2021 calling for immediate attention on Mindat (see annex). Owing to the Tatmadaw's terrorist actions against the innocent people of Mindat, Chin State, the Chinland Defense Force, by exercising the right to self-defence, has been defending the defenceless people of Mindat. Since 14 May 2021, the Tatmadaw has been sending more forces to the areas near Mindat, while attack helicopters are hovering about the houses of the people in Mindat. The military is shooting inside the town using heavy artillery. Within the next 48 hours, Mindat could potentially become a battleground and thousands of people are facing the danger of being displaced. There have been 5 innocent people killed by the military actions against the civilian population and 10 people injured. Many more are potentially under the threat of fatalities and serious injuries. The military has arrested the health workers who were volunteering to provide health-care assistance to the injured people. Therefore, we would like to urge the international community to take immediate action to end all violence of the Tatmadaw and protect the defenceless people of Mindat, Chin State.

I would like to echo the announcement by calling for your urgent attention to the situation in Mindat and for immediate and decisive action from the United Nations



and the international community to save the lives of civilians in Mindat and to protect the people of Myanmar.

I kindly request that the present letter and its annex be circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda items 34 and 72 (c).

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