

Republic of the Union of Myanmar



National Unity Government (NUG)
Karenni State Consultative Council (KSCC)
Pa-o National Federal Council (PNFC)

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“Joint statement on massacre by Myanmar military on March 11th in Nam Nein village, Pinlong Township, Shan State”

1. The National Unity Government (NUG), Karenni State Consultative Council (KSCC), and the Pa-o National Federal Council (PNFC) strongly condemn the massacre by the terrorist military council on March 11th of 22 civilians, including three Buddhist monks and one woman in Nam Nein Village, Pinlong Township, Shan State. We further condemn all the crimes against humanity committed by the Myanmar military. We are committed to seeking justice for the victims and their families.

2. Since the arbitrary seizure of power in 2021, the terrorist Myanmar military council has been using brutal counter-insurgency methods against innocent civilians. They have been entering the villages, killing civilians, raping and executing women, and taking citizens for use as human shields. In addition, the Myanmar military is committing these atrocities with the express purpose of dividing our diverse ethnic and religious communities.

3. The National Unity Government, Karenni State Consultative Council, Pa-O National Federal Council, and the People’s Defense Forces are working in coordination to assist civilians escape military oppression and secure justice.

4. Our organizations are working together, and the relevant ministries of the National Unity Government are engaged in compiling information about all the crimes committed by the Myanmar military, including forwarding witnesses and material evidence to international prosecution organizations. We have urged all civilians, particularly the elderly, women, children, and the disabled, to remain vigilant and evacuate prior to attacks.

5. To safeguard the lives of our people, we ask the international community to provide vital communication technology, equipment, and early warning. We further urge the imposition of sanctions on the Myanmar military and the associates which supply jet fuel, weapons, dual-purpose technology, and other military equipment to the Myanmar army.

6. We call on international legal bodies and the International Criminal Court to expand their current investigations to encompass all crimes committed in Myanmar in order to hold perpetrators to account. We also urge governments to increase pressure on the Myanmar military council by establishing universal jurisdiction in order to try cases of crimes against humanity perpetrated by the Myanmar military council. In doing so, you provide protection to the people of Myanmar and contribute to the building a new, free, and just state.

7. We encourage the international community to support the National Unity Government and its allies in order to bring a speedy resolution to the current crisis and put a stop to the crimes committed by Myanmar military against the people of Myanmar.

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