

Four pledges of allegiance of the People's Defence Force

- (1) We will bear allegiances to the Federal Union of Myanmar and the people.
- (2) We will bear allegiances to the fallen heroes who sacrificed their lives during the fight for democracy.
- (3) We will protect and defend the lives, properties and livelihoods of the people.
- (4) We solemnly pledge that we will sacrifice our lives in building the Federal Union of Myanmar.



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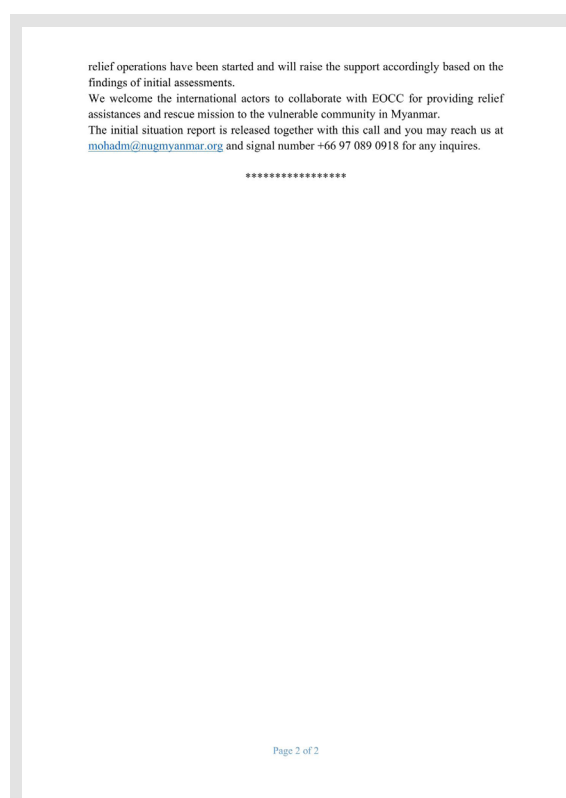
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The Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs and Disaster Management of the National Unity Government announced that there are many communities including those in IDP camps and those fleeing from the SAC's atrocities being affected by the Cyclone Mocha that ravaged Rakhine, Chin, Magway and Sagaing Regions on the night of May 14th. The terrorist SAC had exacerbated the suffering of the cyclone affected communities by launching aggressive attacks against the civilians in these affected areas. The Ministry has established a 1 million USD fund for the cyclone affected communities, calling on the international community to provide humanitarian support for the civilians.

Prime Minister Mann Win Khaing Than remarked in a meeting between the Interim Local Administration Central Committee (ILACC) and cyclone affected communities held on May 19th that the NUG has a disaster fund in place to be used to implement the necessary activities after the disaster. He added that the NUG provided 100 million MMK to the most affected areas in Rakhine State while necessary coordination and engagement with those responsible from Chin State are being made to ensure the affected communities are provided with the required support. <https://bit.ly/3q3mpSB>



Ministry of Defence

2. SAC controlled police station taken over in Salin Township, Magway region

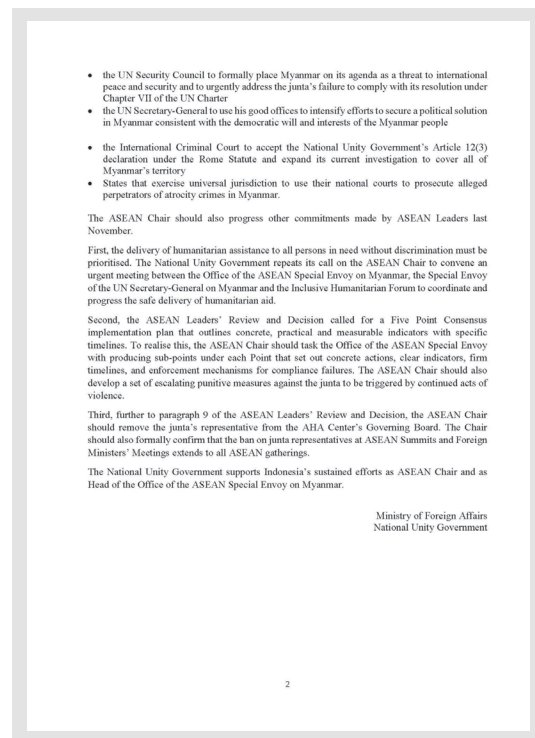
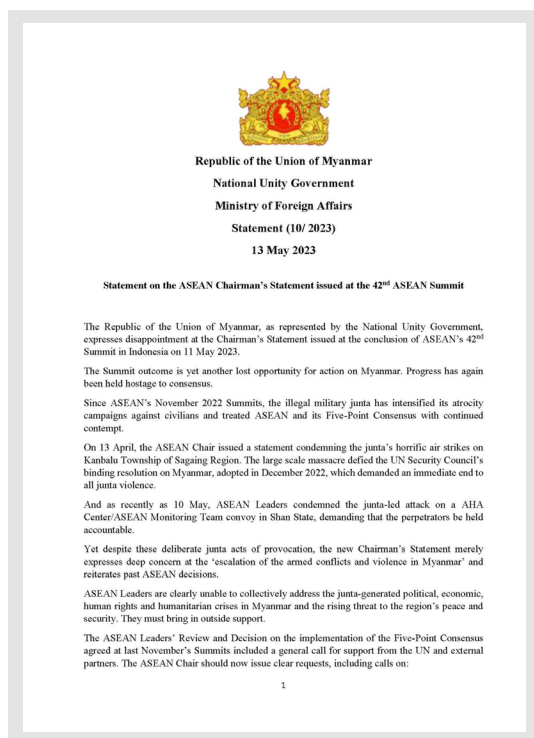
The People Defence Force Office of the Ministry of Defence announced on May 13th that the PDF Maway District No. 1 battalion and Minbu District No. 5 battalion launched an attack on the SAC-controlled Thayet-taw Police station in Salin Township, Magway Region on May 10th. The attack resulted in 12 enemy deaths and confiscation of weaponry and defence facilities. <https://bit.ly/3Ix0sSt>



Ministry of Foreign Affairs

3. NUG remarks ASEAN Chairs should progress commitments made by ASEAN Leaders.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs issued a response to the ASEAN Chairman's Statement issued at the 42nd ASEAN Summit, stating that since ASEAN's November 2022 Summits, the illegal military junta has intensified its atrocity campaigns against civilians and treated ASEAN and its Five-Point Consensus with continued contempt. The statement added that the ASEAN Chair should also push for greater progress on other commitments made by ASEAN Leaders last November. <https://bit.ly/43f0rdT>



4. SAC's controlled mobility contributed to hundred of Rohingya deaths in Cyclone Mocha, NUG Minister remarks

Dr. Win Myat Aye, Union Minister for Humanitarian Affairs and Disaster Management, remarked during his interview with RFA news agency that it is due to the SAC's obstruction of the free movement of people and aid that hundreds of Rohingya refugees in Sitway, Rakhine died in Cyclone Mocha. The data collected as of May 16th indicates that over 400 out of 435 casualties were Rohingya refugees. <https://bit.ly/3MKMGyd>



5. Nealy 7 billion MMK of humanitarian aid distributed in 2 years

From April 16th, 2021 to March 31st, 2023 the Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs and Disaster Management distributed 6.6 billion MMK of humanitarian aid to the civilians affected by the terrorist SAC's atrocities. In this way over 200,00 IDPs had been provided with monthly basic food assistance. The money, gathered largely through public donations, has also paid for 2,239 temporary houses for the civilians whose houses were lost due to the SAC scorched-earth campaign. The figures were published in the ministry's two-year report released this month. <https://bit.ly/3OqpuXh>

