

National League for Democracy
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1. On the 23rd September 1998 at about 15:30 hours, a team of MIS Navy personnel attempted to grab and capture Maung Pyi Sone Kyaw, NLD member of the Youth Wing of Irrawaddy Division Organising Committee. This took place near the Mingala bazaar in Mingala-taung-nyunt township.
2. Brutality and force used against the youth without any legal authority is a complete disregard for the "RULE OF LAW". The people who happens to be around when such ugly incidents occur are angered and resentful so they react violently towards those bullies resulting in the retreat of the MIS team and the safety of those who were being persecuted.
3. Such operations by the MIS are designed to create unrest and disturbances. The National League for Democracy strongly condemns such actions and emphatically ask the higher authorities to closely monitor the activities of their subordinates and to stop them in their lawless activities.

Central Executive Committee
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Rangoon
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