

## **U Khin Aung Myint elected as Amyotha Hluttaw Speaker, U Mya Nyein elected as Deputy Speaker**

NAY PYI TAW, 31 Jan- The First Amyotha Hluttaw Regular Session, summoned by the State Peace and Development Council, was convened at Amyotha Hluttaw Hall in Hluttaw Building here today.

According to agenda No. 10, which is election of the Amyotha Hluttaw Speaker, Hluttaw representatives wishing to nominate the Hluttaw Speaker took out Forms No.1 from the master of ceremonies, filled the forms and submitted the forms to the session chairman through the master of ceremonies.

U Khin Aung Myint from Constituency No. 8 of Mandalay Region was nominated for the Speaker by U Zaw Myint Pe of Constituency No. 5 of Mandalay Region and U Khin Maung Yi from Constituency No. 6 of Ayeyawady Region seconded the candidacy.

Next, the Chairman collected the proposals and announced the lists of the names of candidates with Form No. 3.

As U Khin Aung Myint was the only nominee for the Speaker, the session chairman announced that U Khin Aung Myint from Constituency No. 8 of Mandalay Region was elected as Amyotha Hluttaw Speaker.

It was followed by the election of the Deputy Speaker for which two representatives were nominated. U Banya Aung Moe from Constituency No. 7 of Mon State was nominated for the Deputy Speaker by U Min Myo Tint Lwin from Constituency No. 10 of Kayin State and U Kyaw Thein from Constituency No. 4 of Mon State seconded the candidacy.

He was then proposed for the Deputy Speaker by U Khin Maung from Constituency No. 3 of Rakhine State and U Maung Saw Phyu from Constituency No. 4 of Rakhine State seconded the candidacy.

He was also nominated for the Deputy Speaker by U Sai Kyaw Zaw Than from Constituency No. 2 of Shan State and U Sai Thant Zin from Constituency No. 4 of Shan State seconded the candidacy.

He was also proposed for the Deputy Speaker by Dr Myat Nyana Soe from Constituency No. 4 of Yangon Region and the proposal was seconded by U Phone Myint Aung from Constituency No. 3 of Yangon Region.

U Mya Nyein from Constituency No. 7 of Yangon Region was nominated for the Deputy Speaker by U Saw Maw Tun from Constituency No. 1 of Bago Region and U Nyan Lin from Constituency No. 1 of Shan State seconded the candidacy.

As the number of candidates was more than one person, Hluttaw representatives cast secret votes to choose the Deputy Speaker.

Next, the numbers of the votes cast by Hluttaw representatives for each candidate were listed in the Form No. 4 and the number of votes cast in favour of each candidate were compiled in the Form No. 5. U Banya Aung Moe from Constituency No. 7 of Mon State obtained 32 votes whereas U Mya Nyein from Constituency No. 7 of Yangon Region won 191 votes. So, the chairperson announced that the U Mya Nyein was elected as the Deputy Speaker.

The Speaker and the Deputy Speaker then took oath in the presence of the Hluttaw session chairman and signed the statement of allegiance in the presence of Hluttaw representatives.

Next, Chairman U Khat Htein Nan handed over duties to Speaker U Khin Aung Myint in the presence of Hluttaw representatives.

After taking responsibility of Amyotha Hluttaw Speaker, U Khin Aung Myint extended greetings.

The Speaker and the Deputy Speaker of the Amyotha Hluttaw were elected in line with provisions in Article-V of the Amyotha Hluttaw laws and bylaw.

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