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## **ADL Statement for the support of the Myanmar people protesting for democracy**

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We, the Alliance for Democracy in Laos (ADL), a global network of human right and democracy advocates for Laos, based in Germany and all Laotians who fight for democracy and human rights, declare our solidarity with all human rights defenders and democracy activists in Myanmar. We support the peaceful protest for democracy as a huge common movement of the whole population.

The military coup of February 1, 2021 is in no way justified. We see the military coup as an attack against democracy and human rights. The declaration of the Coup leaders that there was electoral fraud is invented and cannot be substantiated with the facts. General Min Aung Hlaing is not interested in democracy or the people of Myanmar. The coup is only intended to prevent the Democrats in Myanmar from being a hindrance to its corruption.

We warmly welcome the statements by the USA, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, the European Union, UK and Switzerland on the release of Aung San Suu Kyi and other politicians and the return to the rule of law. We, the ADL, endorse the condemnation of this military coup by the UN Secretary General António Guterres and the National Parliament of East Timor.

**1) We demand the release of all political prisoners, democracy leaders and also the release of the arrested reporters to the Myanmar Military leaders.**

**2) We demand that the result of the last parliamentary elections be recognized and the immediate restoration of civil administration in all areas.**

**3) We demand that the military leaders in Myanmar have to stop the violence against their own people.**

**4) We demand that the military leaders have to stop all restrictions of the press.**

**5) We urge the governments of ASEAN and East Timor to work together to resolve the**

**Myanmar problem seriously and promptly, as proposed by the governments of Malaysia and Indonesia.**

Sincerely



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