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Joint Statement

Call on Human Rights Watch to Take Responsive Action on Gross Mistake

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In Myanmar, Min Aung Hlaing, the genocidal junta and his forces are killing and burning civilians alive daily and commit war crimes, crimes against humanity. Min Aung Hlaing and accomplices [arrested online school teachers](#), students and also [killed CDM \(Civil Disobedience Movement\) teachers](#). The genocidal junta has already violated the right to education in Myanmar since the coup attempt in Feb 2021.

Human Rights Watch (HRW) is already well understanding on Myanmar issues and reports about worsening human rights violated by the criminal junta. We hope to be never happened again that kind of negligent mistake. HRW should send the UNESCO education conference invitation letter addressing to the National Unity Government of Myanmar which has been accepted by the people of Myanmar and is formed with the result of the 2020 election as our legitimate government.

We appreciate your public apology however you should do more specific accountability action for this. We call on Human Rights Watch to show your accountability by submitting to the National Unity Government that can only delegate Myanmar to the UN Transforming Education Summit in New York.

Min Aung Hlaing and his criminal groups, must face trial and punishment in the International Criminal Court (ICC) for their perpetration of war crimes, crimes against humanity and genocide, to deliver transitional justice and democracy for oppressed people of the Myanmar. International countries and businesses affiliated with the military junta must also be held accountable for their complicity in atrocity crimes in Myanmar.

Therefore, the Human Rights Watch (HRW) must take responsive action and accountability on this gross mistake and in the future must not invite or address the genocidal junta as a representative of Burma/Myanmar.



Blood Money Campaign (BMC) is a collective of Myanmar activists campaigning to stop revenues reaching the Myanmar military junta.



Burma Academy is an all-inclusive alternative education platform founded by the students for the students. Our main goal is to provide free education and based on federal education.



General Strike Committee of Nationalities (GSCN) was formed to represent the collective voices of the different nationalities in Myanmar and aims to demolish all types of dictatorship.



Minority Affairs Institute (MAI) was founded with politicians, activists, and academia from human rights, women's rights, gender rights and minority rights.



Nway Oo Guru Lay Myar (Little Gurus) is a community organization, provide medical and education center for IDP high school students who fled their homes due to SAC air strikes and wars in Karenni State.



Sitt Nyein Pann Foundation is a local community organization, which promotes civic engagement in Myanmar, to build healthy democracy through civic education and activism of the next generation.



Spring Revolution Myanmar Muslim Network (SRMMN) is a political organization with various social and political background from Civil Disobedience Movement (CDM) civils staffs including health and education, former political prisoners and activists. Aims to build a federal democratic nation with equity citizen rights.

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