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Statement by Chin Human Rights Organization on the Myanmar Tatmadaw's Coup d'etat in Burma/Myanmar

The Chin Human Rights Organization (CHRO) unequivocally condemns the actions of the Tatmadaw which staged a coup d'etat on the 1 February 2021. This action sets the country on a dangerous course of backsliding from the path towards democratization.

This especially imperils the prospect of national reconciliation and peace in the country. The actions of the Tatmadaw are a reckless endangerment to the lives of millions of Burma/Myanmar citizens at a time when all public resources and attention must be focused on the fight against the COVID-19 pandemic.

CHRO calls on the military authorities to immediately release all those detained in the coup, including members of the civilian leadership, journalists, writers and civil society activists. We urge the authorities to refrain from further politically motivated arrests and detention.

We appeal to the international community, the United Nations and all countries with the influence, to exert all diplomatic and economic pressures on the Tatmadaw to reverse its actions and to put Burma/Myanmar back on the path of democratic transition.

CHRO stands firmly with the widespread condemnation of the actions of the military and aligns in solidarity with all Burma/Myanmar citizens in fighting against all injustice toward building a peaceful, just and equitable democratic future.

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