

# 11-Point Common Position of Ethnic Resistance Organizations on Nationwide Ceasefire

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#### **Preamble**

#### 1. Basic Principles

- 1.1 Commitment to Peace;
- 1.2 Recognition of Panglong Agreement;
- 1.3 Genuine Federal Union System;
- 1.4 Formation of Federal Union Armed Forces;
- 1.5 Protection of the basic rights of the ethnic nationalities;
- 1.6 Equality;
- 1.7 Inclusivity;
- 1.8 Achieving agreement by consensus;
- 1.9 Cooperation and Coordination;
- 1.10 Transparency and Accountability;

#### 2. Aims & Objectives

- 2.1 Building mutual trust;
- 2.2 Cessation of confrontation and hostilities;
- 2.3 Respect for and implementation of ceasefire rules agreed to by all;
- 2.4 Reaffirming and sustaining the agreements and promises between the Government and the ethnic armed organizations, and starting political dialogues leading to durable and just peace;
- 2.5 Meaningful political dialogues leading to establishment of the Federal Union comprised of ethnic-based member states;

#### 3. Laying Down a Political Road Map Acceptable to Both Sides

- 3.1 Achieving agreement on all-inclusive "Framework for National Political Dialogue";
- 3.2 Signing nationwide ceasefire accord;
- 3.3 Holding national level political dialogues;
- 3.4 Holding the union level conference, based on Panglong spirit and principles and signing Pyidaungsu Accord (Union Accord), relating to the ethnic nationalities;
- 3.5 Ratification of the Pyidaungsu Accord, relating to the ethnic Nationalities;
- 3.6 Implementing the terms of the Pyidaungsu Accord, relating to the ethnic nationalities:

#### 4. Main Terms that shall be Included in the Nationwide Ceasefire Accord

- 4.1 Issues relating to armed forces;
- 4.2 Issues relating to liaison offices;
- 4.3 Proming to hold political dialogues;
- 4.4 Drafting and adopting of framework for political dialogue;
- 4.5 Protection of civilians;
- 4.6 Agreeing to military code of conduct;

#### 5. Implementation

- 5.1 Implementing, in practice, the joint monitoring system;
- 5.2 Forming a joint committee, which will continue to implement the convening of political dialogues;
- 5.3 Forming independent human rights watch committee;
- 5.4 Defining a time line and implementing in accordance with it;

#### 6. Principles for trust building activities

- 6.1 Good faith:
- 6.2 Freedom of movement:

#### 7. Removal of organizations from Illegal Associations Acts, and related issues

# 8. Transitional Programs for the Period between the Negotiations and the Political Dialogues

- 8.1 Sharing of administrative powers and exercising those powers;
- 8.2 Division/Sharing of economic powers and implementation
- 8.3 Issues relating to law reform;
- 8.4 Issues relating to culture and environment;
- 8.5 Issues relating to land reform;
- 8.6 Issues relating to management of natural resources;
- 8.7 Issues relating to border, territory, immigration and trade;
- 8.8 Issues relating to mega-economic projects;
- 8.9 Issues relating to narcotic drugs eradication;

### 9. Signing

#### 10. Ratification

### 11. Miscellaneous

We, the undersigned organizations, pledge to implement, unanimously and collectively, the "Common Agreement" reached.

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