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Media Advisory: Launch of the Briefing Paper "Grassroots Democracy: Analysis of the Ward or Village Tract Administration Law"

The nationwide election of ward and village tract administrators, which took place earlier this year in 2018, was the first nationwide election under the National League for Democracy-led government since amendments to the Ward or Village Tract Administration Law were passed in 2016. While improvements have been made to the Law, much more is needed to further develop democracy, active citizenship and participatory local governance under an institutional structure and process that allows all citizens to exercise their basic democratic rights.

Action Committee for Democracy Development and Progressive Voice will release a briefing paper based on analysis and recommendations proposed by various civil society initiatives, outlines the community's concerns, perspectives, and recommendations on local democracy, community representation and participation with regard to the Ward or Village Tract Administration Law.

What: Launch of the Briefing paper "Grassroots Democracy: Analysis of the Ward or

Village Tract Administration Law" **Where**: Orchid Hotel Yangon

When: 13 May 2018; 3 - 5 PM (Yangon Time)

* English language is limited for this event as interpreters will not be provided.

Speakers:

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