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Emergency Announcement Regarding Protests inside Insein Prison

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It has been reported that this morning on July 23, 2021, our comrades inside Insein Prison who have been unjustly detained during the revolutionary period have demonstrated their protest against the military junta, chanting slogans such as "Down with military dictatorship!" and "The Revolution must win!".

Consequently, the fascist military council and its stooge, the Prisons Department, have sent two truckloads of soldiers into the Prison to suppress the protests.

In addition to this situation, prevention measures and treatment for COVID-19 inside the Prison compounds are practically non-existent and inducing much anxiety and concern. No reliably accurate record whatsoever has been made public and there have been many deaths due to COVID-19 among the prisoners and detainees.

Regarding these conditions, we hereby demand the following:

1. All detainees who have been unlawfully arrested are to be freed unexceptionally, and
2. All these political detainees are to be provided with proper COVID-19 measures and treatment whenever necessary.

The current circumstances of our detained comrades are indeed worrisome. Hence, we strongly urge the masses who have been joining the fight to oust the military dictatorship and various revolutionary forces to support and stand in solidarity with our detained comrades as is appropriate in accord with updates on the situation.

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