



Statement by the Spring Revolution Interfaith Network

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The Spring Revolution Interfaith Network, was formed on 7th August 2021 by religious leaders and civil society leaders from different ethnic and religious backgrounds, who are actively opposing and fighting against the military dictatorship. The Spring Revolution Interfaith Network has the following objectives:

1. To end the military dictatorship
2. To establish a federal democratic union that holds values of freedom, justice, and equality by working together with different religious groups
3. To build a new society that guarantees the right to freedom of religion and practice, and eliminates discrimination among people of different ethnicities and between different religions

Our network hereby issues the following statement in honour of the 33rd Anniversary of the 8.8.88 Revolution.

1. We pay tribute to the martyrs and people of all religions and ethnicities who have sacrificed their lives in various pro-democracy movements, including but not limited to, the Myanmar Spring Revolution.
2. The military junta must follow continuous calls for the unconditional release of all the unjustly detained political prisoners, including the President and the State Counsellor Aung San Suu Kyi.
3. We do not recognize the military junta - who staged the coup to seize power from the elected civilian government - as a legitimate government. We only recognize the National Unity Government (NUG), which was formed under the Federal Charter, as a legitimate government.
4. We strongly urge the United Nations and the international community not to recognize and work with the military junta, but to recognize and cooperate with the NUG which has received the support of the majority of the people of Myanmar.
5. We strongly condemn the weaponization of the Covid-19 pandemic for political gains by the military junta, and we call for the United Nations and the international community to intervene as soon as possible to address this humanitarian crisis.
6. We will support and coordinate with other pro-democracy forces from different backgrounds in order to establish a federal democratic union in accordance with our values and objectives.

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