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Sixth Anniversary of the Signing of the Nationwide Ceasefire Agreement (NCA)
Statement

15 October 2021

1. Today marks the Sixth Anniversary of the signing the Nationwide Ceasefire Agreement (NCA) by the leaders of Ethnic Revolutionary Armed Organizations, government, tamadaw and Hluttaw on 15th October of 2015, in the presence of foreign diplomats which included the UN, EU, China, Japan and Thailand in order to establish a Union based on the principles of democracy and federalism that guarantees democracy, national equality and self-determination.

2. PPST upholds the essence of NCA which embodies resolving political crisis through political means, fostering a meaningful political dialogue with all the stakeholders, and protection and security of the people's lives and property.

3. During the past six years, four sessions of the Union Peace Conference – 21st Century Panglong had been convened according to the Seven-step culminating in the signing of three parts of the Union Accord. However, we were still unable to lay down concrete principles to establish a Federal Democratic Union as desired. Implementation of ceasefire matters and interim arrangements made no headway. Another disappointment was the inability to convince remaining ethnic armed organizations (EAOs) to sign the NCA which included the principle of all-inclusiveness.

4. On the bright side, we have stimulated the widespread awareness and substantial understanding of federalism among the public and public participation in the peace process. We have faced numerous obstacles and challenges in fostering a new political culture that seeks resolution for the long standing political crisis through political means. We believe that those lessons learnt will become instrumental in resolving the nation's current political crisis.

5. The entire peace process including implementation of NCA has stalled due to the coup on February 1, 2021. In order to overcome the political crisis, the PPST has adopted the following political goals based on the NCA essence that embodies resolving political conflict through political means, fostering meaningful political dialogue with all the stakeholders, and protection of civilians:

- 1) To release immediately and unconditionally all the state leaders and other detainees arrested after the coup, and seek to resolve the political differences as soon as possible.
- 2) The future political dialogue for a political solution is to include all stakeholders and to take place with the assistance of the international community.
- 3) To find solutions for the earliest transfer of power to the civilian leadership within the democratic framework through a collective approach.
- 4) To implement institutional reforms to enable the Union of Myanmar to stand with dignity among the International Community.
- 5) To establish a security system that protects the people in pursuant of peace, stability and prosperity of the nation.

6) To implement programs that advance the protection of the lives and property of the people, and resettlement and rehabilitation for their losses.

7) To build a Federal Democratic Union which ensures stability, peace and prosperity.

6. We welcome the efforts of the international community including the ASEAN to resolve the Myanmar political crisis. We will also collaborate with all political forces to work towards the solution.

7. PPST is seeking humanitarian assistance for the people displaced by the conflict, as well as Covid-19 related support and programs for people in the NCA-S EAO based area.

8. On this special occasion of the 6th Anniversary of the Signing of the NCA, we solemnly call for immediate and unconditional release of all detained political prisoners and urge all the stakeholders to find peaceful means to resolve the current political crisis.

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