

**Ethnic Resistance Organizations and Federal Councils Representing State/Nationalities  
Joint Statement (01/2025)**

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1. We are resistance organizations who have unwaveringly committed to the establishment of a federal democratic union through states that enjoys full rights to democracy, equality, and self-determination. We are collaborating with people who have opposed the military coup to root out dictatorship and establish of a federal democratic union.
2. While confronting the atrocious junta by military means, on political front we released “**Joint Position Statement by Allied Organizations Engaged in Revolutionary Struggle towards Annihilation of Military Dictatorship and Establishment**” of a Federal Democratic Union on 31 January 2024, which detailed six objectives, nine positions, and six action plans. Additionally, we have stepped up our engagement with other stakeholders for broader endorsement on the statement and wider participations by other groups.
3. Nine ethnic resistance organizations and councils representing states/nationalities also announced on 19 September 2024 to implement the bottom-up federalism approach in pursuance of a strong federal democratic union through strengthened state-level structures starting from the revolutionary/interim period, and to cooperate with all stakeholders who want to establish a federal democratic union.
4. It is an existential reality that the successive centralized systems have not only failed to address Myanmar’s political crises for over seven decades but have also deepened them.
5. In order to establish a federal democratic union starting from the revolutionary/interim period, we are developing the Articles of Federal Transitional Arrangement (AFTA) as a governing document with effects of a constitution for the transitional period, and will implement it upon its completion.
6. Therefore, we, the undersigned, who have collaborated in the removal of military dictatorship, will not accept a holding together federal model that will renew centralization. Instead, we will rebuild our country as a strong nation through bottom-up federalism by strengthening the states.

- 1) Karenni National Progressive Party (KNPP)
- 2) Karen National Union (KNU)
- 3) Chin National Front (CNF)
- 4) New Mon State Party (Anti-Military Dictatorship) – NMSP-AD
- 5) Karenni State Consultative Council (KSCC)
- 6) Pa-O National Federal Council (PNFC)
- 7) Mon State Federal Council (MSFC)
- 8) Ta'ang Political Consultative Committee (TPCC)
- 9) Women's League of Burma (WLB)

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