

STATEMENT AGAINST OPPRESSION AND INJUSTICE IN MYANMAR

We, the undersigned Nobel Laureates, are outraged by the human rights situation in Myanmar. Expressing our solidarity with the Burmese people, we denounce the oppressive rule of the junta government. Moreover, we condemn the ongoing violent repression of the Buddhist monks and other protesters, whose peaceful demonstrations against the government have, according to news reports, resulted in thousands of arrests, severe injuries and deaths.

We urge the international community, particularly China, Russia and India who have influence in Myanmar, to use it on the Burmese government to secure basic democratic freedoms and to ensure the protection of human rights. In addition, we echo the appeals for the release of our colleague, Nobel Laureate for Peace, Mrs. Aung San Suu Kyi, who has led the Burmese people's non-violent struggle for democracy, and who has, as a result, been held under house arrest for much of the past 18 years.

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