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Excerpts from Clarifications of Maj. Gen. Zaw Min Tun at 18th Press Conference Held by State Administration Council Information Team



The 18th Press Conference of the State Administration Council Information Team was held at the Ministry of Information on 26 July and the excerpts from the clarifications of Maj-Gen Zaw Min Tun, leader of the Information Team at the press conference are as follows:

- Myanmar delegation led by the Chairman of the State Administration Council, Prime Minister of the State took a visit to Russian Federation from 10 to 16 July 2022. During the trip, the Prime Minister of the State held the auspicious ceremony to hoist a diamond orb, and a pennant-shaped vane atop Shwezigon replica pagoda in Kaluga of Moscow in the Russian Federation.
- During the trip, State Administration Council Chairman received the delegation led by Mr Dmitriev Mikhail Arkadievich, Chairman of Russia-Myanmar Friendship Association; the delegation led by director general of the State Nuclear Corporation; the delegation led by the director general of The State Space Corporation "Roscosmos", and CEO of the Rosoboronexport on 11 July.
- During the meetings, they exchanged views on enhancement of bilateral economic cooperation; other cooperation in education sector; development in tourism industry; further export of agro-based products; enhancement of generating electricity and bilateral export and import sectors; and conducting the science and research, manufacturing of pharmaceuticals, industry, science and technology sectors and human resource development with the peaceful use of nuclear energy.
- Myanmar delegation met with the senior officials from Ministry of Defense of Russian Federation and exchanged views on enhancement of military technology cooperation, political developments in Myanmar, the situation of multi-sector cooperation.
- Myanmar delegation led by SAC chairman arrived Tatarstan state and met with



- many Russian delegations: a delegation led by CSO of PJSC “Tatneft” company in Kazan; a delegation led by the Deputy Minister for Digital Technology Development of the Republic of the Tatarstan; a delegation led by deputy-rector Kazan Federal University in Kazan of the Republic of Tatarstan, a delegation led by the head of the Republic of the Tatarstan.
- In St. Petersburg, SAC Chairman Prime Minister Senior General held meetings with Russian officials and delegations: a delegation led by rector of Polytechnic State University, head of the Government from St. Petersburg, and a delegation led by Deputy Chairman of the Russia-Myanmar Friendship Association and discussed on the matters of opening measures to open Consulate General Office for Myanmar in St. Petersburg as early as possible and other matters of multisector cooperation.
 - The Central Bank of Myanmar (CBM) made an announcement on 15 July, stating that Myanmar companies with 35 per cent ownership of foreigners must convert foreign currencies from their foreign exchange accounts to Myanmar Kyat, according to the decision of the Foreign Exchange Supervisory Committee (FESC)’s meeting No 32/2022.
 - Our country possesses appropriate amount of foreign currency reserve and reserve fund. Therefore, according to the decision at the State Administration Council’s Economic Committee Meeting 6/2022 headed by the Prime Minister on 22 July, housing rental fees will be provided to all civil servants except for the ones living in the staff housings for free of charge. In this regard, married civil servants will receive eight per cent of their basic salary, while single civil servants will be allowed four per cent. Moreover, hardship and risk allowances will be monthly provided to Myanmar police members, K10,000 per each starting from August 2022.
 - New K400 billion separate funds will be established from the remaining amount of Natural Disaster Management Fund, K491.978 billion with the intent to revive the country’s economy hit by COVID-19.
 - Pyu Saw Htee forces were founded in October 1955 according to the decision made by the National Defence Council led by the then Prime Minister U Nu. When the government announced that it

- will organize Pyu Saw Htee forces, other opposition parties strongly objected against the decision. The Pyu Saw Htee forces even tortured people instead of protecting them taking advantage of holding arms. They were even exploited as pocket armies of their founder political parties.
- Regarding Pyu Saw Htee, the Government released a statement on 14 September 1958 describing that the Government decided to dissolve all of Pyu Saw Htee units.
 - What I want to say is that the Pyu Saw Htee units said by so-called NUG, and PDF terrorist groups are merely the forces founded by the ruling party U Nu, in the time of parliament democracy for bullying other parties. It is amazed to know that media are using the term without knowing its background history.
 - Regarding the outcomes of the Chairman of the State Administration Council's invitations to peace talks, seven EAOs of NCA signatories, two EAOs of NCA non-signatories totaling 9 EAOs has already discussed with the Prime Minister of the State and plans are underway to hold talks again with them.
 - AA group has started arrests of some innocent civilians, civil servants and security force members since in May. At that moment, some subversive media outlets who do not want to the peace and stability of the Rakhine state are attempting to provoke suspicions and misunderstanding between both sides by using fake news.
 - We also noticed that some leaders of AA group made some provocations against the Tatmadaw. Although the Tatmadaw remain tolerated for the good of local Rakhine people, the AA group carried out inappropriate provocation acts in two locations of Maungdaw township on 18 July leaving some security force members killed and some arrested.
 - Under KNU, there are two armed wings of KNLA and KNDO which are under the direct control of a team called Central Military Command HQs. After February 2021, some young people fled to the border areas and most of them are hiding in Kayin state.
 - As the youths under the name of PDFs went to some units of KNLA and KNDO, the KNU's armed wings could mobilize new recruits and even started some maneuvers to attack government forces.
 - During that time, dissensions occurred among the KNU members dividing into to the groups of those who want peace on the course of NCA, those who want to leave the NCA and those who are watching the situation wanting to join the better side. As a consequence, in the area of people who want to continue on the course of NCA are notably peaceful while battles broke out in the area with people who do not want the NCA.
 - The former head of KNDO was Saw Nerdah Mya, son of Saw Bo Mya. He was dismissed from the post on 17 January 2022 for brutally killing 25 civilians working in construction works of Waw Lay-Kanae Lay road on 13 June 2021.
 - In the third week of April 2022, some troops led by Saw Salone joined with Saw Nerdah Mya and carried out more terrorist acts. As they become stronger, Saw Nerdah Mya also attempted to separate from KNU.
 - Minding some financial supports from NUG terrorist group and the supports from some countries willing to disrupt

the State's peace and stability, Nerdah Mya gathering some troops under his command along with so-called PDF terrorists launched the Ukrihta military outpost. But he faced only failures.

- I here again urged the youths arriving in the respective EAOs to rationally consider what they are doing and the consequences.
- Following the split with the KNU, Nerdah Mya established the Kaw Thoo Lei Army on 19 July 2022, and stated that he would cooperate with the PDFs, including the NUG and the groups fighting against the Tatmadaw.
- All ethnic people generally accept the NCA because each of the Ethnic Armed Organizations-EAOs drafted it. Those who refuse to accept the NCA are merely advisors working behind the scenes. "Who exactly are they?" Those advisors are not Myanmar citizens.
- Those advisors are constantly providing various assistances and instigating various terrorist groups, and they are destructionists for Myanmar's peace and stability.
- The EAOs that are being supported need to consider whether they actually want the interests of the country, the region and the ethnic people, or whether they are molding the situation to their liking.
- The public is already aware of the news report about the arrest of three offenders including the fugitive Kaung Thike Soe, who was running the NUG terrorist group's 'Kaung For You' online illegal teaching program.
- According to the instruction of the terrorist group, the so-called NUG, the Kaung For You Federal Private School Team was formed in the first week of April 2022 comprising with 12 members via online. They also intended to hire approximately 400 male and female CDM-teachers for online teaching. Furthermore, groups for the student enrolment process and online learning have been illegally formed in the Zoom, Facebook, Telegram, Signal, Gmail, and Messenger applications since June 1st, the fugitive Kaung Thike Soe confessed.
- It was discovered that at least 10,000 kyats per month for one student were collected from each student's parents for the salary of CDM-teachers who will provide online teaching.
- Kaung Thike Soe was arrested on 13 July 2022 along other two offenders: Win Bo (aka) Bo Bo, primary assistant teacher of CDMer living in Kyaukse township; and Thant Zin Thike, primary assistant teacher of CDMer living in Myin Ywar Gyi village at a brothel in Hlae Yoe ward of Aungban township while the suspects were having fun with women.
- Since assuming State responsibility, the State Administration Council Government has placed a special emphasis on the development of the education sector for youths.
- The Ministry of Education issued a statement outlining the student enrollment program for the Academic Year 2022-2023. The statement stated that no fees would be collected from parents and that students would be provided with textbooks, blank books, school stationery items and school uniforms.
- While the Government works to ensure the access to education for every child of school age and the development of education for youths, extremist terrorists, the so-called NUG, actually collect money

from parents as a fee while making public announcements and establishing teaching programs via air. They spent the money on their personal interests, such as drinking and having fun with hookers. Everyone can see their true intentions by watching these, whether it is to produce educated people or to raise funds.

- Parents should consider whether they truly want their children to be educated or whether they are motivated by their ego.
- In response to inquiries of State-run media and other media, we clarified that the parents of students would not face legal action, with the exception of those in positions of leadership and instigation who initiate illegal online teaching programs.
- As some of the teachers who were involved in the program made contacts with authorities with their own consent as they want to live in peaceful environment after realizing their wrongdoings, the SAC issued an announcement that they can contact nearest township administration offices by 7 August and the government guarantee those teachers to enjoy peaceful civilian lives in line with rules and regulations.
- Under the guidance of so-called NUG terrorist group, the terrorists are conducting extortion from people using various means. As a result, their actions do not escape from any sectors.
- All are already known that the government is facing various difficulties and disturbances in making the development of education sector.
- Moreover, the terrorist groups are carrying out the acts of terrorism that are inappropriate to religious teachings and human ethics, such as mine attacks, assassinations, threats to teachers and stu-

dents who are teaching and learning as well as arson attacks on schools. So, the Maj-Gen would like to ask whether such actions of these terrorists really want the children to be educated.

- If we look not only the aforementioned case but also the cases that were seized, it can be found in their confessions that the cash donations were used for gambling games, buying houses and land plots for their interests, buying goldwares, enjoying with women by paying fees, and using narcotic drugs.
- It was found that the youths entering in their groups due to the instigations of the so-called NUG terrorist group and its related groups, are using narcotic drugs. In fact, it is a concern for those youths.
- There are many young women in their groups due to the instigations of the so-called NUG terrorist group and its related groups. It was learnt that those young women are facing sexual exploitation and abuse.
- Regarding the matters to succeed the uprising under the title of the Spring Revolution which is already two years old, Maj-Gen Zaw Min Tun informed to all that what is being said on social media about whether the donation recipients who may be assumed as a pawn or lackey descended with the life of a worthy heir of NLD, are unity or supporting each other.
- It is interesting that the U.S could allow not only a person who does not have a job in that country but also his/her families to stay. Anyway, they would be received some supports from the country.
- Hence, young people are urged to have the abilities to think and make decisions, the abilities to reflect and think ahead. It is a time when the SAC is receiving

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- those youths who want to enter the legal fold with its great attitude.
- Up to 26 July, the government received about 250 members of PDFs without crime records. Of them, 230 members of PDFs without crime records have officially entered the legal fold. The rests are under necessary scrutiny to accept.
 - As some media outlets are writing about this matter in various ways, Maj-Gen Zaw Min Tun opened a video clip show-

- ing a confession of Thet Paing Soe (a candidate of Hluttaw who competed in No (2) constituency of Ngaputaw township representing NLD party), a member of PDFs who entered the legal fold on 21 July.
- Continuously, Maj-Gen Zaw Min Tun showed a photo of Ko Thet Paing Zin (a former representative of region Hluttaw who won No (2) constituency of Ngaputaw township representing NLD par-



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ty), who entered the legal fold, and then it was also found that no crime had been committed according to his interrogated results. Therefore, he would like to ask the media outlets which are saying that the acceptance of government for those who want to enter the legal fold is a lie, “what evidences are they saying that it is a lie?”

We noticed that those who want to contact nearest authorities to enter the legal fold are facing disturbances and difficulties, and suspecting about reliability for their civilian lives after entering the legal fold. Hence, the

government is receiving the returnees at the security forces by opening reception centres in the past. Moreover, at present, the government is widely receiving the returnees through Township-level Red Cross Society, Maternal and Child Welfare Association, Social Services Offices, and Social Assistance Associations working with Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement. Finally, Maj-Gen Zaw Min Tun urged those who want to enter the legal fold to walk bravely without suspects.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (27-7-2022)

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Excerpts from the Clarifications of the UEC Member U Khin Maung Oo



The excerpts from the clarifications of the UEC Member U Khin Maung Oo at the press conference are as follows:

- Regarding the inspections of political parties by the Union Election Commission (UEC), according to the section (7) of the Constitution Law (2008) stated that “The Union practises genuine, disciplined multi-party democratic system”, the UEC carried out the inspections of political parties in accordance with the Constitution Law, UEC Law, and Political Parties Registration Law and By-Laws as it is required to ensure the political parties to be the stronger ones and to inspect political parties that have not been inspected yet.
- In inspecting the political parties by the UEC as per the law, the relevant departmental officials and a combined inspection team consisting of representatives of the organizations led by the members of the UEC conducted the inspections of political parties at the election sub-commission offices of respective headquarters of political parties.
- In inspecting so, they mainly investigated the setup of political parties, their members and offices, entrance fee for the party, monthly fees, donation of local well-wishers, materials and businesses owned by parties, and expenses as per the parties’ rules and regulations.
- Moreover, the inspection team examined the funds owned by parties, lists of materials owned by parties, whether they systematically keep the records or not, and whether they maintain expenses of candidates representing parties who competed in the election.
- The UEC has already inspected 51 political parties within the period from August to December in 2021, and 35 political parties from January to third week of July in 2022, totalling 86 political parties.
- The UEC will continue to inspect seven political parties that are remaining to be audited. The combined inspection teams gave instructions for their weak points to the political parties in detail and if the parties commit the same acts, they will be taken action against according to the

Political Parties Registration Law and By-Laws.

- As regards to the verifications of ground population census for accurate voter lists, the UEC initiated the pilot project to verify the ground population census for the accuracy of the basic voter lists in townships of Nay Pyi Taw Union Territory as of 14 February 2022.
- In doing so, the UEC in cooperation with the officials from Ministry of Home Affairs, General Administration Department and Ministry of Immigration and Population fulfilled the requirements on the findings.
- At present, the relevant township level election sub-commission members together with department concerned carried out the verifications of ground population census for accurate voter lists in each region and state across the nationwide.
- The UEC chair and member-in-charge of the township level election sub-commission of each region and state are closely supervising those processes.
- The UEC is conducting the verifications of ground population census for accurate voter lists in 325 townships in respective regions and states. In doing so, up to 26 July 2022, a total of 298 townships have been accomplished so far, other 14 townships are in progress and 13 townships are remaining to verify.
- The remaining townships are two townships of Kayah state, seven of Chin state and four of Sagaing region, and the UEC will continue to do further processes.
- The UEC is making the scrutiny of basic population data that have been already

verified on ground in respective regions and states, using Initial Voter List Scrutinizer (IVLS).

- The UEC has already conducted the user manual training for IVLS software to township level election sub-commission of respective regions and states. Moreover, the UEC sent the lists of ground population data including those who are passed away, to the relevant ministries such as Ministry of Home Affairs and Ministry of Immigration and Population, and cooperates with them for further verifications to ensure the accurate voter lists.
- As per the experiences encountered in last elections and the new election system to be adopted, the UEC is focusing the preparations to amend the necessary law and by-laws, reinforcement of human resources in conducting the electoral processes, providing the trainings to them, and arrangement and supervision for the construction of election sub-commission offices that are main infrastructures of the electoral processes.

The UEC is implementing the matters to do mentioned in the first point of Five-Point Road Map of the State Administration Council under the law, and will hold free and fair multiparty democratic general election in line with fifth point of Five-Point Road Map of the State Administration Council after implementation of the matters in accord with the provisions of State Emergency Period mentioned in the constitution law, the UEC member U Khin Maung Oo added.

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- The UEC is making the scrutiny of basic population data that have been already verified on ground in respective regions and states, using Initial Voter List Scrutinizer (IVLS).
- The UEC is focusing the reinforcement of human resources in conducting the electoral processes, providing the trainings to them, and arrangement and supervision for the construction of election sub-commission offices that are main infrastructures of the electoral processes.

PowerPoint Slides Explained to Media Agencies at the 18th Press Conference of Information Team of State Administration Council

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The Excerpts from the Questions and Answers Session of 18th Press Conference of State Administration Council Information Team

Myanmar National Post said the political party of extremism NLD released a statement that current Union Election Commission- UEC is not legal and the party cannot accept the coming general elections. Therefore, we'd like to know the attitude of the UEC on the statement and such statements are in line with laws or not. Regarding the question –



Naung Taw Lay, chief editor of the Myanmar National Post asking questions in progress

- **UEC member U Khing Maung Oo** clarified that in recent days, we also noticed the statement made by Executive Committee of National League for Democracy on online social media. Since it is merely a online statement, the UEC could not confirm it.
- UEC is now inspecting the political parties and 85 out of 92 political parties have already been inspected. The inspections of seven political parties remains to be done and NLD is one of the remaining political parties.
- Inspecting the NLD party, some members of the executive committee have been arrested while others are on the run.
- Therefore, if the UEC continues actions after making one-sided decisions based

on the online statement, it will not be fair. Therefore, UEC will decide and continue as per the law only after inspection process of the political party completes.

One News news agency asked whether the general elections will be surely held in 2023 with the participation of all political parties and what kinds of difficulties might occur. Regarding the question –



Thwin Htoo Aung, producer of the One News agency asking questions in progress

- **UEC members U Khin Maung Oo** said upon accomplishing the provisions of the state of emergency, free and fair multi-party democratic elections will be held' as stated in the five-point roadmap of the government. Preparation measures have been taken to ensure the successful holding of the elections.
- The existing political parties are on inspection as per laws. The UEC held meetings with political parties for four times discussing on the matters relating to election systems and others. Measures are also taken to amend Parties Registration Law and by-laws.
- The UEC has taken preparation measures including compiling voter lists

and to amend the Political Parties Registration Law after reviewing weak points encountered in the past.

- In this regard, UEC will continue cooperation with all ministries as well as people in order to successfully implement the goals by overcoming any difficulties we may encounter.

The Sun Rays (Thuria Naywun) Journal said the punishment has been conducted under the prison's procedures for four death-sentenced prisoners including Phyo Zeyar Thaw and Jimmy who are responsible for brutal and inhumane terror acts including murders, leaving many innocent people killed. In this regard, the International Amnesty – AI, subversive media agencies from abroad and foreign diplomat missions in Myanmar denounced the actions in various ways. Therefore, they want the Maj. Gen. Zaw Min Tun answer the attitude of the government on this case. Regarding the question –



U Moe Hein, chief editor of The Sun Rays Journal asking questions in progress

- We foreknew about the possibilities of criticisms and objections against the sentence penalty of death. However, we had to proceed this legal process for the community peace, stability, security and rule of laws in unavoidable condition not for personal hatreds.
- According to the interrogation results of other, Phyo Zeyar Thaw was arrested when he arranged to support weapons/ammunitions for terrorist attacks. Under his arrangement for terrorist attacks, nine security force members, and 12 people totaling 21 were killed while 14 others were injured. The cases were already confirmed by his interrogations. Therefore, he was charged under sections 49 (a), 50 (i) and 50 (j) of the Counter-Terrorism law and sentenced to death penalty through appeals at respective courts.
- Kyaw Min Yu (aka) Jimmy was arrested on 24 October 2021 and he conducted the 'Moonlight Operation' in cooperation of Phyo Zeyar Thaw. Moreover, he also launched attacks targeting schools and teachers, and also killed administrators after accusing them of 'dalan' (informants) as well as attacking electric-power plants and private banks, and supporting arms and financial assistance to terrorist groups. For the above-mentioned crimes he committed, he was given death penalty after being charged under sections 49 (a), 50 (i) and 50 (j) of the Counter-Terrorism law.
- Other two offenders were sentenced to death for confining a woman in a house, taking her somewhere in Tonte township, and then stabbed her to death for 21 times after taking precious items she wore. Although they were allowed to enjoy the rights to appeal their conviction,
- **Maj General Zaw Min Tun** answered that the intention of enacting laws is to ensure justice among people as well as between people and the State.
- Since the innocent civilians were brutally killed, on behalf of the victims and their bereaved families, the penalty was decided based on strong and adequate evidence after perpetrators were allowed to defence their crimes.

the crimes they had committed were found to be the ones that ought to be sentenced to death for many times. Therefore, their guilty pleas were dismissed.

- Their confessions said how they led the crimes, how many people they had killed and how they got weapons. Their crimes were already explained in previous press conference.
- Therefore, they are different from the ones who convicted the death penalty. They are the ones who are deserved the repeated death penalty and who inflicted large damages and casualties to innocent civilians.
- Therefore, looking forwards to the law enforcement measures in the country, their guilty pleas and appeals were dismissed and their convicted sentences were confirmed.
- Although the crimes were confirmed, all of the proceedings were conducted as per the provisions of Part (14) of Prison Manual ‘death roll inmates.’ They were also allowed to enjoy their rights. They were also allowed to meet with their family members and closed ones via video-conferencing.
- Regarding the returning the dead bodies of executed inmates, it was carried out by the decisions of the wardens and prison authorities as per the provisions of the Prison Manual.
- The government did not deal with these matters for personal and democratic reasons, but it is just appropriate punishment for the terrorists who committed murders.
- It is necessary to empathize with the feelings of family and relatives of the persons who were assassinated.

- As Myanmar has not signed the ICCPR protocol regarding the death penalty, the government inevitably imposed punishment on the defendants in accordance with the law by sympathizing with the faces of the people and their relatives who were murdered without any guilt.
- The government is only acting in accordance with the law, and had not done anything beyond the law.

The Sun Rays (Thuria Naywun) Journal said that Daw Aung San Suu Kyi hired nearly a hundred foreign advisers at the expense of millions of dollars in public funds, as a result, the secrets of the State, economic project of the State and national security issues were leaked because of hiring the foreign advisers, and the internal affairs of the country were leaked unnecessarily and it was as if the fate of Myanmar was placed in the hands of the international community. Therefore, the instabilities of the country, utter destructions and uncontrollable situations are occurring in the country now. The plans of the NUG, PDF and CRPH are premeditated actions to destroy the country’s future because of hiring more than a hundred foreign advisers. Therefore, their actions can be accused of treason against the State. In reply to the question on what measures have been taken by the SAC government to prevent such treacherous acts that occurred in the tenure of Daw Aung San Suu Kyi:

- **Maj-Gen Zaw Min Tun** replied that there were many persons who were allowed to ask questions on the matter of foreign advisers being in the Ministries’ nest from the position of State Counsellor, on the other hand, those who were not allowed to ask questions on aforementioned matters, in Hluttaw sessions under the previous government. Alt-

though they had the opportunities to ask, there were no satisfactory explanations.

- Regarding that matters, the government is filling a lawsuit under the State's Official Secrets Act. For example, Sean Turnell was charged under Official Secrets Act. There was also information obtained from it, and it is still to be identified and investigated.
- Therefore, we hope that what should be known can be publicized at the appropriate time.
- Moreover, the cases of George Soros and the two reporters actually happened in our country. There are also cases that even the relevant persons do not know about.
- Rakhine cases happened in our country because of the foreign advisers. In recent days, Myanmar delegation attended public hearings at ICJ. In appointing the advisers in the term of the SAC, it can be seen that only those who truly love our countries and can serve the public interests are appointed.
- Although such appointment can be done during the period of the SAC, we must lay the foundation from now to keep the appointment of the advisers who can serve the interests of the State and its citizens in the next government after the next elections finished.
- The reason is that there were almost no foreign advisers hired during previous government's tenure between 2010 and 2015, but there were later 2015. It was a difference between those two governments. Therefore, measures must be made to lay foundation from now.

The Myanmar Hard Talk news agency said that he wants the government to answer the public to know the reason about taking

control of dollars and suspension of repayment of foreign debts by Central Bank of Myanmar (CBM). As he heard that the NUG terrorist groups are extorting money from entrepreneurs in Myanmar through online and they threatened to kill those entrepreneurs if they didn't pay, the reporter questioned that whether the SAC made a plan to protect businessmen: and how the plan is arranged for them if there is a plan:



U Oak Kar, editor of the Myanmar Hard Talk news agency asking questions in progress

- **Maj-Gen Zaw Min Tun** explained that the CBM issued order No (12/2022) that it organized the Foreign Exchange Supervisory Committee to conduct functions for stable exchange rate and effective usage regarding the taking control of dollars by the CBM.
- Suspending repayment of foreign debts is to recover the businesses affected by the COVID-19 period. In doing so, it is mainly important to have adequate capital and labour availabilities.
- It is a time when cotton businesses are struggling with its strength and power. Capital investment and domestic and foreign loans are including in the main factor.
- The government has relaxed the repayment period for domestic loans. During

the resumption of businesses beyond COVID-19 period, as there are difficulties in expanding the capital investment, these businesses will have to pay interest and principal if they borrowed.

- Of these two, for the matters of repayment of loans, suspending for a period of time by the CBM is only intended to support entrepreneurs to gain momentum in the businesses. Such a suspension of repayment of loans cannot be done without any notification, and the repayment plan must be notified so that the borrower and lender can make an agreement about that according to payment schedule.
- Regarding that matters, there is no reason for negative impact. Maj-Gen said that he thinks that drawing conclusions as they want to make positive comments about that matters and disturbances on public caused exchange rates and commodities price to rise.
- These matters are the cases to be dealt with in agreements, and cannot be suspended whenever one wishes to do and it must be done only after obtaining agreements.
- The government is taking measures to take action against online threats, and will protect those entrepreneurs.

The Sun Rays (Thuria Naywun) Journal said that the Ethnic Armed Organizations-EAOs, such as KNU and KNLA/KNDO do not recognize the Kaw Thoo Lei armed group led by Saw Nerdah Mya and moreover, the statement issued by the KNU was found, stating the dismissal of Saw Nerdah Mya from the KNU. Since we are concerned about the potential emergence of many armed groups in the future if the government does not take legal action

against the Kaw Thoo Lei armed group, we clearly want to know whether the government will hold talks with the Kaw Thoo Lei armed group after classifying it as an EAO or whether the government will annihilate it after specifying it as a terrorist group, the reporter asked. In response to the question:



Daw Thazin Oo, reporter of The Sun Rays journal asking questions in progress

- **Maj-Gen Zaw Min Tun** clarified that he has already answered the split of Saw Nerdah Mya with the KNU was caused by the presence of people and armed groups who wish to follow the NCA path.
- The Kaw Thoo Lei group has been designated as a major group that may pose a threat to the Myanmar's peace process.
- As the KNU expelled the Kaw Thoo Lei group because the latter murdered 25 civilians in Wawlay, which constituted war crimes.
- Although the KNU does not support the Kaw Thoo Lei group, there is an organization that does.
- We do not classify the Kaw Thoo Lei group as an organization with specific policies because it murders innocent civilians. In reality, the group has no specific policies.
- Peace talks with such organization with

no specific policies are unlikely, and the government would classify it as a terrorist group and take appropriate action against it.

The Trend Journal said that the Phnom Penh Newspaper and the majority of media stated on 22 July that a meeting between the ASEAN special envoy and the Cambodian Foreign Minister Prak Sokhonn and Daw Aung San Suu Kyi was likely. “I am curious about their meeting between them in which condition and on what date”, the reporter inquired. In response to the question:



U Wunna, chief editor of The Trend Journal asking questions in progress

- **Maj-Gen Zaw Min Tun** clarified that he has already answered such question to the majority of media.
- The first thing he would like to say is that there is no issue in politics that is impossible. He responded, “I have no specific comment on the remark of the ASEAN special envoy, and I would like to say is that there is no issue in politics that is impossible.”

The 97 Media said that it is observed that foreign tourists from 47 countries are visiting Myanmar via 11 international airlines. “I would like to know how the concerned bodies prepare for the tourists who will be visiting in the coming season for tourism,” the reporter inquired. In response to the question:



Nanda Lin (Dawei), reporter-in-chief of The 97 Media asking questions in progress

- **Maj-Gen Zaw Min Tun** clarified that measures are being taken for aviation safety and security in accordance with the standards established by the International Civil Aviation Organization.
- The Chairman of State Administration Council Prime Minister met Russian authorities to discuss ways to boost the tourism sector and direct airline flights.
- The Ministry of Hotels and Tourism and the Ministry of Transport and Communications are preparing necessary measures for foreign tourists in the tourism season.
- Despite the fact that some destructive media and people, who do not care about Myanmar’s interests, speak ill of Myanmar with no evidences as if it is one of the most dangerous places to visit, reporters can see foreign tourists arriving in Myanmar.
- We are taking necessary steps to overcome such misinformation and impediments to the tourism industry.

The Naing Gan Thitsar News Agency said that other media outlets have reported on PDFs’ daily murders of innocent civilians. We are glad about the Government’s invitation for PDFs to return the legal fold. However, the opposing armed group is killing people more than ever before. Later on, things worsened. Terrorists come to kill not only administrators and 100-household

leaders, but also their innocent wives. Although no changes can be seen if Mizzima, RFA, the Irrawaddy, Khit Thit and DVB news agencies broadcast about the PDFs' murder cases of administrators, 100- household leaders and civilians (traitor/Dalan), we, nationalist journalists, were labelled as 'traitors/Dalans' if we reported on true information. To date, the Tatmadaw has assumed State responsibility for more than one year and four months. Over 5,000 people were killed by PDFs after they were accused of being 'traitors/Dalasn'. It can be assumed that PDFs are currently killing people and will continue to kill civilians in the future. The reporter asked that he would like to know how the authorities would protect innocent civilians and members of Sangha who are being killed by rmed PDFs. In response to the question:



U Aung Kyaw Oo, reporter of Naing Gan Thitsar News Agency asking questions in progress

- **Maj-Gen Zaw Min Tun** clarified that there are instigators who instigate such killings. We have also heard of threats to kill those who visit monasteries if terrorists are unable to kill Buddhist monks.
- In terms of national defence, security organizations and militia units are being formed, and contact with those organizations is required.
- All citizens and individuals are required to take part in the fight against terrorists.

The concerned authorities will provide the necessary assistances within a time frame.

The details of the press conference can be accessed at Myawady Webportal <http://www.myawady.net.mmm>) and (<http://myanmar.gov.mm>).

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (29-7-2022)

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 - **Maj Gen answered that he had no specific comment on the remark of the ASEAN special envoy, and there is no issue in politics that is impossible.**
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