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MYANMAR: END THEIR WAIT FOR JUSTICE!

Over 1,350 political prisoners are held in Myanmar, where people are imprisoned for peaceful dissent. Sign our petition to release all prisoners of conscience NOW.

These people are a small fraction of the 1,350 political prisoners held in Myanmar, where the authorities are abusing the justice system to imprison people for acts of peaceful dissent.

They and hundreds of other political prisoners have spent much of their lives imprisoned, solely on the basis of peaceful acts of dissent, such as holding non-violent demonstrations, writing leaflets and reporting on human rights violations. Many have been tortured, are held in poor prison conditions and are in poor states of health.

Join our petition to the Myanmar authorities to put a stop to abuses of the justice system and to release all prisoners of conscience NOW.

First Name

Family Name








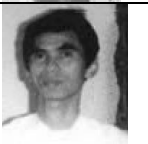



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Thank you for taking this action. With your support we can make a difference.

* NLD – National League for Democracy – the political opposition party in Myanmar.

Name	Image	Rollover text
Aung San Suu Kyi – Head of NLD*		Detained for 10 of the last 16 years for her peaceful political opposition.
Aung Pwint – Poet & Videographer		7 years for making video-tapes, including about forced labour.
Aung Tun – Student		17 years for writing a history of student activism in Myanmar.
. Ba Myo Thein – Civil Servant		19 years, including 12 years gathering information on human rights violations in prison
Hnin May Aung – Student		42 years for demonstrating for student rights
Khaing Kaung San – activist		Deported from Thailand, where he was a refugee: 10 years for his political activities
Khin Khin Leh – Teacher		Sentenced to life for taking in part in a demonstration in support of the NLD.
Khin Maung Kyi		10 years for distributing leaflets.
Khin Maung Swe – Geologist & NLD MP		17 years for giving “fabricated news” to foreign diplomats and journalists.
Khin Maung Win – student		7 years for staging a peaceful demonstration and handing out leaflets.
Khin Zaw Win – Dentist & MP		15 years for carrying papers with “anti-government sentiments”

May Win Myint – Doctor & NLD MP		Held without charge for holding a meeting with Aung San Suu Kyi and the NLD Youth
Myo Min Zaw – Student		52 years for student demonstrations calling to convene parliament
Naing Naing – NLD MP		21 years: calling for the release of Aung San Suu Kyi, and lifting restrictions on the NLD
Shwe Maung – Goldsmith		3 years for moulding replica of a traditional hat, a symbol used by the NLD
Soe Myint – teacher & NLD MP		Up to 28 years for his support for NLD calls to convene parliament in 1998.
Than Htay – nun		13 years: peaceful protest for political dialogue and against increases in food prices
Than Nyein – Doctor		Served a sentence of 7 years and is being held without charge. He is seriously ill.
Thaung Tun – Poet		8 years for making video tapes of and sending them outside the country.
Thet Naung Soe – Student		14 years for staging a peaceful demonstration and handing out leaflets.
Tin Oo – Deputy Chairman of NLD		Held without charge or trial since violent attack on him and other NLD members in 2003.
Win Htein – business & political advisor		14 years: alleged to have arranged for a former political prisoner to talk to a journalist about torture
Win Tin – editor		20 years for peaceful opposition and communicating human rights violations to the UN.
Myat San - student		15 years for participating in demonstrations celebrating Aung San Suu Kyi's Nobel Peace Prize
Kyaw Khin - NLD MP		14 years for having transcript of a BBC broadcast and information about Aung San Suu Kyi

Thet Win Aung - student



59 years for organizing student demonstrations