NCUB Deplores China's Support for Tyrannical Regime of Burma

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The National Council of the Union of Burma deplores the People's Republic of China's support for the SPDC, the tyrannical military regime of Burma. The support is so consistent as to be tantamount to interference in Burma's internal affairs. For decades, the Chinese government has been the top champion of the SPDC while claiming that the international community does not have the right to interfere in internal politics of Burma. Despite its stated stance of non-interference, the Chinese government, to ensure access and control of the Burmese markets and natural resources, has constantly interfered in Burmese politics, working with the SPDC and supporting the SPDC's oppressive policies.

Chinese support has been instrumental in bolstering the SPDC's ongoing attempt to consolidate its hold on power. Internationally, particularly in the United Nations, Chinese support for the SPDC has blocked international action in response to the SPDC's clear violations of international law. The SPDC has been hiding behind the wall of Chinese support while attacking Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, the National League for Democracy, the Committee for Representing the People's Parliament and those who voted for democratic leadership in the 1990 elections.

In recent months, China has increased its meddling in Burmese politics by seeking to pressure Burma's ethnic nationalities along the Chinese border into participating in the SPDC's sham elections[1].

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[1] On 8 September 2010, Tuesday, Chinese foreign ministry spokeswoman Jiang Yu cautioned the world not to meddle in the upcoming polls, which have been dismissed by activists and the West as a charade to solidify the junta's power.
She said China hopes "the international community can provide constructive help" for the polls and "refrain from any negative impact on the domestic political process of Myanmar and on regional peace and stability".

The People's Republic of China should note the concern by the United Nations Secretary General of the dissolution of the National League for Democracy by SPDC with the aim of excluding the political opposition and the ethnic nationalities, a fact that will never bring peace nor stability in Burma.

The people of Burma have the right to choose whether to vote in the upcoming elections. China is wrong to pressure our ethnic brothers and sisters, living on the borders, who have expressed their own desires not to participate in the SPDC's sham election.

The NCUB reminds all the international investors that the contracts with the SPDC will not likely be honored when change comes to Burma.

Pressuring the ethnic nationalities who have to defend themselves daily from atrocities (documented) against them is the same as siding with possible defendants of a United Nations Commission of Inquiry.

The NCUB calls upon all citizens of Burma to initiate a campaign that highlights China's control over Burmese natural resources and land, sales of unneeded war weapons by China to the SPDC, and Chinese intrusion in and control over internal politics inside Burma.

The NCUB calls upon the United Nations, the European Union and ASEAN Member States to stand firmly with the people of Burma against the unfair elections of the SPDC and **not to respect the election results**.

The NCUB calls upon the People's Republic of China to:

- Withdraw its military support for the SPDC regime;
- End its pressuring of all the ethnic nationalities living on the China-Burma border area;
- Stop buying land and natural resources from Burma;
- Stop helping the SPDC get access to nuclear technology in respect to China's own call for peace and stability in Burma, and in the region.

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