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Letter of Endorsement for the Campaign on Criminal Accountability

The National Council of the Union of Burma hereby expresses its strong endorsement of the Campaign on Criminal Accountability of the Burma Lawyers' Council and the Global Justice Center. The Campaign seeks to hold the perpetrators of heinous crimes in Burma, such as crimes against humanity, accountable for their actions by requesting the UN Security Council to establish a Commission of Inquiry to investigate the crimes. Such an investigation could lead to a referral of the crimes to the International Criminal Court. We believe that the Campaign on Criminal Accountability is an important piece of an overall strategy to bring about positive change for a future Burma based on the rule of law and good governance. The recent violent crackdown on monks and other peaceful protestors in September 2007 was a clear reminder that the current military regime of Burma continues to violate laws with impunity. This impunity must end and accountability must begin. We strongly encourage all concerned individuals and organizations to join the Burma Lawyers' Council and Global Justice Center in calling for the UN Security Council to hold criminal perpetrators responsible by establishing a Commission of Inquiry and referring the crimes to the ICC for prosecution.

Sincerely,

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