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Congratulatory message to NLD Myanmar

Dear friends

According to the announcement of the election commission, your party, National League for Democracy won a majority in November 8 election, gaining enough seats to elect its chosen candidate to the presidency in the new legislature next year. On behalf of Japan Asia Africa Latin America Solidarity Committee, we would like to congratulate you on this landmark victory of gaining overwhelming peoples support to your effort and leadership for democratization of the country since 1988.

We hope that all political forces respect the election results as a solemn expression of the people's will and power transfer is smoothly carried out.

When we visited your country in June last year as a member of a group of Japan AALA, we fortunately had a meeting with your party leadership including former vice chair Tin U and vice chair Nyan Win. They explained many challenges which the new democratic government would face, such as constitutional amendment, reconciliation with ethnic minorities, autonomous economic development and improvement of people's lives. We are hoping that under the new circumstances a great effort will be made to achieve these goals,

with popular support.

We were also encouraged by their remarks that the new government would continue a no aligned foreign policy which was established by former premier U Nu in 1950's. We are looking forward to seeing that the new government plays a major role to strengthen the No Aligned Movement.

As a No Government Organization, Japan AALA is making an effort to develop nonuclear, no aligned movement and to create a Community of Peace, Cooperation and Prosperity in East Asia. We would like to work together with you to face these challenges.

We conclude to wish a further development of friendship and solidarity between NLD and Japan AALA, as well as peoples of both countries.

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