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## **MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION**

with request for inclusion in the agenda for a debate on cases of breaches of human rights, democracy and the rule of law

pursuant to Rule 144 of the Rules of Procedure

on Myanmar notably the dissolution of democratic political parties (2023/2694(RSP))

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# Motion for a European Parliament resolution on Myanmar notably the dissolution of democratic political parties (2023/2694(RSP))

The European Parliament,

- having regard to its previous resolutions,
- having regard to the statements by the HRVP on Myanmar from 29 March 2023,
- having regard to Rule 144 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas on 28 March 2023, the military-appointed Union Election Commission of Myanmar dissolved forty political parties, including the National League for Democracy (NLD), claiming their failure to register with the military governance under the regime's Political Parties Registration Law;
- B. whereas since January 2022, the junta had imprisoned hundreds of members of the National League for Democracy of whom some died in detention;
- C. whereas the political leaders whom have been arrested following the military coup remain in prison;
- D. whereas the military regime's decision demonstrates its disrespect for democracy, rights and will of the Myanmar population, and the military regime's determination to eradicate any democratic and peaceful opposition to its rule;
- E. whereas on 21 December 2022 the UNSC adopted a resolution demanding to end the violence and the immediate release of all arbitrarily detained persons;
- 1. Strongly condemns the military-appointed Union Election Commission of Myanmar decision to dissolve forty political parties and the arrests of the politicians; calls for the immediate reinstatement of these parties;
- 2. Urges the military junta to release all political leaders, pro-democracy activists and those unjustly detained; reiterates its strong support to legitimate democratic pluralism, uphold democratic institutions and processes and to pursue constructive dialogue and reconciliation;
- 3. Urges the military junta to respect, promote and protect human rights, including the freedom of expression, association and peaceful assembly, and to allow the people of Myanmar to exercise their civil and political rights;
- 4. Strongly condemns the use of rape as a weapon by the military against the civilian population;
- 5. Calls on an inclusive political process involving democratic political parties, civil society, religious and minority leaders, ethnic groups and all other relevant stakeholders

- in Myanmar to lead the country out of its prolonged instability and open the way for a meaningful democratic process that truly reflects the will of the Myanmar people, contributing to internal reconciliation and stability;
- 6. Reiterates its strong support for ASEAN's efforts in finding a sustainable, democratic resolution to the current conflict; urges progress on its November 2022 review of the ASEAN Five-Point Consensus and address the crisis through a coordinated regional response;
- 7. calls on the VP/HR, the Member States and the Commission to introduce additional targeted sanctions against those responsible for the serious human rights violations in Myanmar;
- 8. Deplores the visit of China's foreign minister to Myanmar; notes that China and Russia's protecting of the junta in UN forums for their own geopolitical purposes, and considers their impediments to tougher action to be evident violations of permanent members of the UNSC's duties under the UN Charter;
- 9. Instructs its President to forward this resolution the Tatmadaw, the ASEAN, the UN, the EU HRVP, the Commission, and the governments and parliaments of the Member States.

