Summit of the Top Leaders of Ethnic Armed Organizations Meeting Resolutions and Minutes

Dated: 2-9 June 2015

Meeting Resolutions

- 1. The Summit of the Top Leaders of Ethnic Armed Organizations (EAOs) reconfirms the report aiming to obtain the approval of NCA (approved draft) which was presented to the Summit by the NCCT with amendments and supplements.
- 2. Amendments and supplements of the Nationwide Ceasefire Agreement (approved draft) are as follows:
 - (2.1) It was decided in the introductory paragraph shown in the Introduction of the NCA (approved draft) to delete the words "the agreements made in the past between the Government of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar and Ethnic Armed Organizations" and amend by inserting the words" The Nationwide Ceasefire Agreement adopted between the Government of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar and Ethnic Armed Organizations will cover the agreements made in the past between the Government of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar and Ethnic Armed Organizations".
 - (2.2) It was decided that instead of the words "agreed to implement the basic (fundamental) principles of the NCA" contained under Chapter (1) Basic (Fundamental) Principles of the NCA (approved draft), the words "agreed to implement the following basic (fundamental) principles in order to build the sustainable (durable and just) peace" will be inserted.
 - (2.3) It was decided that the words mentioned in Chapter (3), Matters Relating to Ceasefire of the NCA, Paragraph (3) of the NCA (approved draft) "(or) within the date fixed and agreed by both parties" must be deleted.
 - (2.4) It was decided that the words "according to the results of the political dialogue" mentioned in Chapter (1), Paragraph 1 (a) (ka-ji) of the NCA (approved draft) can continue as is.
 - (2.5) It was decided that the words "in line with the law" mentioned in the Chapter (3), paragraph 9 (h) (za-gwe) of NCA (approved draft) must be deleted.
 - (2.6) It was decided that, the words "after obtaining approval from the Government" mentioned in Chapter (3), Paragraph 10 (a) (ka-ji) of the NCA (approved draft) must be deleted.
 - (2.7) It was decided that the words "matters relating to re-consolidating security affairs" mentioned in Chapter (5), Paragraph 20 (c) (ga-nge) of the NCA (approved draft) must be deleted and replaced with the words "matters relating to security affairs".

- (2.8) It was decided that the words "submission to the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw for obtaining approval" mentioned in Chapter 5, Paragraph 20 (f) (salone) Roadmap of the NCA (approved draft) can continue to be used as written.
- (2.9) It was decided that in Chapter 6, Paragraph 25 (a) (ka-ji), the words "matters relating to land and natural resources" must be added as subparagraph (7).
- (2.10) It was decided that the words "to implement in coordination with" mentioned in Chapter (6), Paragraph 25 (b) (ka-gwe), must be replaced with the words "by getting consensus among two sides."
- (2.11) It was decided that the words "basic (fundamental) principles of the agreement (accord)" mentioned in Chapter (7), paragraph (27) under the Chapter (7), must be replaced with the words "principles of the agreement (accord)."
- (2.12) It was reaffirmed to approve the Nationwide Ceasefire Agreement (approved draft) made between the Government of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar and Ethnic Armed Organizations with the amendments and supplements.
- 3. It was decided that the National Ceasefire Agreement will be signed together by organizations meeting with the following:
 - (a) The requirements disclosed in the Resolution No. (6), adopted at the Law Khee Lar Conference held from 20 January 2014 to 25 January 2014.
 - (b) Ethnic Armed (Revolutionary Resistance) Organizations who accept the Nationwide Ceasefire Agreement (Draft).
- 4. It was decided that in the signing of Nationwide Ceasefire Agreement, the following responsible authorities from both sides must sign the Agreement
 - (a) Government
 - (1) President
 - (2) Vice President (2)
 - (3) Speaker of Pyithu Hluttaw
 - (4) Speaker of Amyotha Hluttaw
 - (5) Commander in Chief of Defence Services
 - (6) Union Attorney General
 - (7) Vice Chairpersons of Union Peacemaking Working Committee
 - (b) Ethnic Armed (Revolutionary Resistance) Organizations
 - (1) Chairman (or) Secretary-General
 - (2) Commander in Chiefs

- 5. It was decided that the following will be invited to sign the Nationwide Ceasefire Agreement as witnesses:
 - (a) Representatives from International Organizations
 - (1) Secretary-General of the United Nations Organization
 - (2) Secretary-General of the Association of South East Asian Nations
 - (b) Representatives from the following Governments
 - (1) United States of America
 - (2) Peoples' Republic of China
 - (3) India
 - (4) Thailand
 - (5) Britain
 - (6) Japan
 - (7) Norway
- 6. It was decided that the draft Basic (Fundamental) Guidance on Political Roadmap presented by the NCCT will be studied and reviewed by respective organizations, and comments/recommendations will be given back to NCCT within one month.
- 7. Formation and assignment to the "EAOs' Nationwide Ceasefire High-Level Delegation" (High-Level Negotiation Team)
 - (a) It was decided that for conclusive negotiation with the government over the necessary points in the amended and supplemented NCA (approved draft) adopted by the Summit of the Top Leaders of Ethnic Armed Organizations held from 2 to 9 June 2015 (Law Khee Lar), the Summit formed and assigned the "EAOs' Nationwide Ceasefire High-Level Delegation" with the following responsible leaders of the Ethnic Armed Organizations.

(1) Naw Zipporah Sein Delegation (Team) Leader (2) Dr. La Ja Deputy Delegation Leader (1) Deputy Delegation Leader (2) (3) Pu Zing Cung Member (4) Khaing Soe Naing Aung (5) Naing Han Tha (Nai Hong Sa) Member Member (6) U Myo Win Member (7) Hkun Myint Tun (8) Karenni Representative TBD Member Member (9) Sao Khun Sai (10) Brig General Tah Aik Bone Member

(11) Padoh Saw Kwe Htoo Win Member
(12) Maj General Gun Maw Member
(13) Dr.Salai Lian Hmung Sakhong Member
(14) Colonel Hkun Okkar Member
(15) Saw Mra Raza Lin Member

- (b) Duties (Terms of Reference): To meet and negotiate with responsible persons of the government side, as soon as possible, until a final NCA acceptable to both sides is achieved.
- (c) Mandate
 - (1) To have authority to make efforts to obtain agreement acceptable to both sides on the amended and supplemented NCA (draft) reaffirmed by the Summit of the Top Leaders of Ethnic Armed Organizations held from 2 to 9 June 2015.
 - (2) Not to have authority for signing approval.
 - (3) Respective organizations and top leaders summit will resolve disagreements
- 8. It was agreed and resolved that the amended and supplemented NCA (draft) reaffirmed by the Top Leaders Summit will be advocated/disseminated to the general public and international community by respective organizations for review.
- 9. It was decided that the Statement of the Summit of the Top Leaders of Ethnic Armed organizations was confirmed with amendments and supplements.
- 10. Recommendations and comments on the Nationwide Ceasefire Agreement (approved draft)
 - 1. It was decided that the KNPP Central Committee's resolution of deleting the group of words "in line with the results of political dialogue" mentioned in Chapter 1, Paragraph 1 (a) (ka-ji) of the NCA (approved draft) could not be accepted.
 - 2. SSPP proposed to add the words "to abide by and execute in accordance with the Geneva Convention Charter" in Chapter 3, Paragraph 9 (q) (hta-sin-htoo) of the NCA (approved draft).
 - 3. CNF proposed to amend the description in Chapter 4, Paragraph 11 of the NCA (approved draft) as follows: "to sign the agreement including the prescriptions contained in this NCA as well as other necessary data".
 - 4. CNF recommended to amend the sentence in Chapter (4), Paragraph 12 (b) (ka-gwe) of the NCA (approved draft). The words mentioned "in forming Scrutinizing Team" will be changed to "to form with independent and unbiased persons."
 - 5. KNU commented that the words regarding the deletion of "consolidation of security affairs" were already amended "as security

- affairs" in Chapter (3), Paragraph 6 of the NCA (approved draft) so that the paragraph will be left as it is in the NCA (approved draft).
- 6. KNPP and SSPP proposed that "the Government has to announce the official ceasefire declaration 7 days ahead (in advance) before the signing of NCA."
- 7. The CNF proposal that with respect to "regarding the ethnic representative, the person must be accepted by both sides" in Chapter (5), Paragraph 22 (a) (ka-ji) and (b) (ka-gwe) of the NCA (approved draft) was put record.
- 8. The PNLO proposed that the points regarding "in forming of Joint Committee for Union Peacemaking Dialogue" mentioned in Chapter (5), Paragraph 21 (a) (ka-ji) (2) of the NCA (approved draft), be changed to "to form with the representatives from Ethnic Armed Organizations, the Government, Tatmadaw (Defence Services), Hluttaw, Official Political Parties, representatives from Ethnic Groups and other deserving representatives"; and to add the point "the Joint Committee for Union Peacemaking Dialogue is responsible for guiding and supervising the different stages of political dialogue process". The proposed points were put on record.
- 9. It was recommended that the NCCT and the High-Level Delegation of EAOs' Nationwide Ceasefire will continue to cooperate for implementation.
- 10. It was put on record that the comment and recommendation regarding the involvement of CBOs/CSOs in the dialogue with the Government will continue to be discussed in the meetings of EAOs' Nationwide Ceasefire High-Level Delegation.
- 11. It was put on record that the comment and recommendation presented by the KNU regarding the participation of women organizations in the dialogue with the Government will continue to be discussed in the meetings of EAOs' Nationwide Ceasefire High-Level Delegation.
- 12. It was put on record that the comment and recommendation made by AA and ANC regarding the release without conditions of persons who were seized due to communication with Unlawful Associations (Illegal Organizations), prisoners of war, and political prisoners during the civil war period before the signing of NCA.
- 13. It was recommended and commented that the High-Level Delegation meeting will be held as quickly as possible.
- 14. It was put on record that KNU proposed to hold political dialogue with the government at a border area location. SSPP proposed and discussed convening of political dialogue with the government inside the country and signing the agreement in a third Country (abroad).
- 15. It was put on record as presented by SSPP that it must not mean that "signing NCA is not solely reaching out under the shade of the 2008 Constitution".

Meeting Minutes

- 1. SSPP recommended to delete the words "in line with Panglong (Pin-lon) Agreement (Accord)" and replace with the words "in line with Panglong Spirit" mentioned in Chapter (1), Paragraph 1 (a) (ka-ji) of the NCA (approved draft). The Summit has accepted the words mentioned in NCA (approved draft) as it is. But SSPP will use "in line with Panglong Agreement (Accord)" within their organization.
- 2. SSPP proposed to use the words "Federal Union" instead of "in relation to Union Tatmadaw" described in Chapter (1), Paragraph 1 (c) (ga-nge) of the NCA (approved draft). The Summit has accepted the words "in relation to Union Tatmadaw" as it is mentioned.
- 3. It was put on record to delete the words "in line with the results of political dialogues" mentioned in Chapter (1), Paragraph 1(a) (ka-ji) of the NCA (approved draft), as proposed by SSPP and KNPP.
- 4. It was proposed by the KNPP but not accepted to define the words "all persons who should be involved/ participated" described in the Chapter (1), Paragraph 1 (g) (sa-lain) of the NCA (approved draft).
- 5. Regarding the words "in line with the results of political dialogues" mentioned in Chapter (1), Paragraph 1(a) (ka-ji) of the NCA (approved draft), it was decided that such words will be used as written but with reservation of the Summit of the Top Leaders of EAOs.
- 6. It was put on the record that KNPP proposed to delete the words "in line with the results of political dialogues" mentioned in Chapter (1), Paragraph 1(a) (ka-ji) of the NCA (approved draft).
- 7. It was put on record to add the words "to abide by and execute as prescribed in Geneva Convention Charter" mentioned in Chapter (3), Paragraph 9 (q) (hta-sin-htoo) of the NCA (approved draft), as proposed by SSPP.
- 8. It was put on record and tabled for further discussion that CNF proposed rewriting the words "to sign the agreement including the prescriptions contained in this NCA as well as other necessary data" mentioned in Chapter (4), Paragraph 11 of the NCA (approved draft). The CNF stated that they will not continue to discuss it in this Summit of the Top Leaders.
- 9. It was put on record and tabled for further discussion that CNF proposed to change the sentence "in forming Scrutinizing Team" to "to form with independent and unbiased persons" mentioned in Chapter (4), Paragraph 12 (b) (ka-gwe) of the NCA (approved draft). The CNF stated that they will not continue to discuss it in this Summit of the Top Leaders.
- 10. It was put on record to accept the presentation of CNF's "to take immediate action in the Implementation Coordination Meeting of Nationwide Ceasefire Agreement" mentioned in Chapter (5), Paragraph 21 (a) (ka-ji) (1) of the NCA (approved draft).
- 11. It was put on record that the words "Re-consolidation of Security Affairs" could not be accepted by the SSPP.

- 12. It was put on record that regarding the description in Chapter (5), Paragraph 20 (f) (sa-lone) of the NCA (approved draft), the SSPP proposed to supplement the words "To promulgate (enact) as a law by the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw".
- 13. It was recommended that the description in Chapter (5), Paragraph 20 (f) (salone) of the NCA (approved draft), regarding the words "Proforma Affirmation" by submission (of proposal) to the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw", "Proforma Affirmation" in English and Myanmar should be written in combination and used in the course of discussions in Dialogues.
- 14. It was put on record that the description in Chapter (5), Paragraph 21 (a) (kaji) (1) of the NCA (approved draft), the CNF's proposal to add to the words
 "two each from an organization" and "to perform the Terms of Reference as
 per accord" to the statement "to hold the meeting within 7 days after signing
 the accord."
- 15. It was put on record in this meeting that regarding the description in Chapter 5, Paragraph 22 (a) (ka-ji) of the NCA (approved draft), CNF and PNLO recommend deletion of the words "ethnic representatives," and the subject is thoroughly to be discussed at the political dialogue framework meeting.
- 16. It was put on record that regarding the description in Chapter (5), Paragraph 22 (b) (ka-kwe) of the NCA (approved draft), the LDU proposed to delete the words "participation of business associations and organizations".
- 17. It was put on record that regarding the description in Chapter (6), Paragraph 24 (a) (ka-ji) of the NCA (approved draft) regarding the Action Plan and in relation to the activities to be undertaken for Trust Building, the SSPP proposed to delete the words "except the breach of Law".
- 18. It was put on record that (16) member organizations of NCCT are to be participated in signing NCA as presented by the KNU.
- 19. It was put on record that the NMSP's proposal on the matter relating to the handling of small arms by the officials not in uniform on travelling is relevant to Chapter (3), Paragraph 8 (b) (ka-kwe) of the NCA (approved draft).
- 20. It was put on record that the KIO's proposal on safety and security within NCA (approved draft) is in accordance with international organizations.
- 21. It was put on record the need for the defining of the Interim (Transitional) Period.
- 22. It was put on record that KNU recommended the comparative study of frameworks formulated by the Government and other organizations for the political dialogue framework.

Placed on the Record

1. The Summit of the Top Leaders of Ethnic Armed Organizations was held successfully. The meeting of the Summit of the Top Leaders of Ethnic Armed Organizations wishes to give its special thanks to the host Karen National Union (KNU) and to the Karen National Liberation Army (KNLA), Karen Youth

- Organization (KYO), Karen Women Organization (KWO), Karen Community Based Organizations (CBOs), Karen Unity and Peace Committee (KUPC), Karen Peace Support Team (KPST), Karen Army United Committee (KAUC), Karen Youth Network (KYN) and all individual personnel for their assistance and support.
- 2. It was put on record that special thanks go to the members of the Peace Support Group who render their help and support for the successful completion of the meeting of the Summit of the Top Leaders of Ethnic Armed Organizations.

s/d Mutu Saypoe General Mutu Saypoe

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