

Burma Alert: Action Needed Now

Public Seminar in the Chamber of Deputies of the Parliament of the Czech Republic
Sněmovní 2, Prague 1

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*The seminar hosts are Members of the Parliament of the Czech Republic:
Marek Benda, Petr Bratský, Tomáš Dub, Jan Hamáček, Kateřina Jacques, Cyril Svoboda*

9:00 – 9:30

Opening Session

Welcome Remarks

Petr Bratský, Member of Parliament, Czech Republic

Keynote Address

Václav Havel, former President, Czech Republic

Alexandr Vondra, Deputy Prime Minister for European Affairs, Czech Republic

Video-message from Burma

9:30 – 11:00

Burma: Democrats and Independent Civil Society

Bo Kyi, Joint Secretary, Assistance Association for Political Prisoners, Thailand

Nang Hseng Nong, Presidium Board Member, Women's League of Burma,
Thailand

Soe Aung, Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee, National Council of the
Union of Burma, Thailand

Harn Yawngghwe, Director, Euro-Burma Office, Belgium

Questions and Answers

Panel lead by parliamentarians: Tomáš Dub, Cyril Svoboda

11:00 – 11:30

Coffee Break

- 11:30 – 13:00** **International Support to Burmese Democratic Movement**
- Statement by Edward McMillan-Scott**, Vice-President of the European Parliament
Gabriela Dlouhá, Head of Human Rights and Transition Policy Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Czech Republic
Sein Win, Prime Minister of the Exiled National Coalition Government of the Union of Burma, USA
Charles Chong, Member of Parliament and Member of the ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Myanmar Caucus, Singapore
Mary Thompson-Jones, Deputy Chief of Mission, Embassy of the USA in Prague
Stuart Summers, Political Secretary, British Embassy in Prague
- Questions and Answers
Panel lead by parliamentarians: Marek Benda, Lazslo Nagy, Silver Meikar
- 13:00 – 14:00 Lunch (by special invitation only)
- 14:00 – 15:30** **Recommendations by Representatives of Burmese Advocacy Groups**
- Mark Farmaner**, Acting Director, Burma Campaign UK, United Kingdom
Igor Blaževič, Head of Human Rights and Democracy Department, People in Need, Czech Republic
Maureen Aung-Thwin, Burma Project/Southeast Asia Initiative Director, Open Society Institute, USA
Debbie Stothard, Director, Altsean Burma, Thailand
- Questions and Answers
Panel will be lead by parliamentarians: Petr Bratský, Kateřina Jacques
- 15:30 – 16:00 Coffee Break
Preparation of the Final Statement by the Parliamentarians
- 16:00 – 17:00** **Parliamentarians Statement Released**
Final Remarks