Statement on US Secretary of State Antony Blinken’s remarks at the US Holocaust Memorial Museum

1. We, the Committee Representing Pyidaungsu Hluttaw (CRPH), welcome the remarks of US Secretary of State Antony Blinken made at the Holocaust Memorial Museum on 21st March. We welcome the determination of the US government about the crimes committed by the Myanmar’s army on Rohingya over the past decades as genocide and crimes against humanity based on evidences, witnesses and reports of independent international human rights organizations.

2. We believe such determination would be of much assistance for the attempts of international judicial institution including International Court of Justice – ICJ and International Criminal Court – ICC in seeking justice and accountability for the Rohingya people.

3. At present, Myanmar’s brutal military is continuing violence, brutal crimes including war crimes and human rights violations against all ethnic nationalities and ethnic and religious minorities at every corner of the country and thousands of displaced people have fled from their home to quite secure places. The junta’s security forces have unlawfully killed more than 1,690 and has illegally arrested more than 12,850 citizens since the coup in Myanmar.

4. We would like to highlight the fact that today’s violations by the military is the same with the military has committed such heinous crimes against Rohingya in recent years. We seriously request the international community to help us prevent such crimes from being committed continuously by the military at the same time when we are seeking the justice and accountability for the victims of the inhumane crimes.
5. The unprovoked aggression of the Russian Federation to the Ukraine proves that regional and international stability has been severely damaged due to the dangerous acts of the authoritarian regime across the globe. We strongly request the international community to continue the efforts of taking actions regarding the crimes committed by the Myanmar military junta like a foreign occupier against its own people in the same way and manner the international community has been protesting against the actions of aggressors on Ukraine and its people.

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