

## The Coup in Myanmar: One Year Later

Since February 1, 2021

In the year since the coup in Burma, the military junta has encountered an overwhelming popular opposition. Although the uprising began with peaceful protests, the military's indiscriminate violence soon reignited Burma's decades-old civil war. Burma is now locked in a conflict for legitimacy and control of the state between the military in Naypyidaw and a loose coalition of pro-democracy and anti-junta forces, most prominently the National Unity Government (led by ousted parliamentarians) and an array of ethnic armed groups.

Since the first day of the takeover, the United States has reiterated its firm support for a return to democracy in Burma and its opposition to the coup with the following actions:

- Reiterated its support for a return to democracy in a variety of international fora, including several meetings of the Quadilateral Security Dialogue

\_\_\_\_\_ against the military, coup leaders, and their economic interests.

- Delayed the credentialing in the United Nations of the junta's preferred UN

