

The Republic of Union of Myanmar
National Unity Government
Ministry of Women, Youth and Children Affairs
And
Ministry of Human Rights
Joint Statement (1/2022)
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**Joint Statement on the violence perpetrated against civilians in JakeChaung Village,
Maungdaw Township, Rakhine**

1. On November 16, 2022, military forces under the command of the SAC junta used long range artillery from Tollgate (24) and NaKhaYa (7) military bases to bombard JakeChaung Village in Maungdaw Township, Rakhine State. As a result of this assault, 4 children and 11 civilians have died. 27 people have been injured.
2. Another attack on the same day in ChaungTu Village, KyaukTaw Township, also by SAC long range artillery, killed four men and injured two women. The total number of dead has reached 19 (4 children and 15 civilian), and 29 people have been injured, in Rakhine State just on a single day.
3. These actions of the terrorist SAC, targeting the homes of civilians around Maungdaw Township, is a flagrant and deliberate breach of international laws that ensure the proper protection of civilians and children in conflict. These acts violate the Geneva Convention.
4. According to UN General Assembly Resolution A/RES54/263, the targeting of children and areas protected by international law constitutes a war crime. Therefore, it is incumbent upon the United Nations, ASEAN and other international organisations to condemn these junta atrocities. The NUG demands that those with proper responsibility under international law do all in their power now to stop the flow and distribution of weapons by placing effective sanctions on the junta-backed companies and individuals that facilitate this evil trade.
5. Neglecting the terrorist acts committed by the SAC military is encouraging the military to believe they have impunity. We sincerely request that the United Nations and its organisations show no signs of connivance with this military regime. They should not engage with any part of this blood-soaked administration. Moreover, the international community has a duty of care to stop the atrocities and crimes committed by the SAC military. Those who have committed such crimes must face prosecution. We urge the international community to collaborate with the NUG to stop these atrocities.



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6. The NUG Ministries of Women, Youth and Children's Affairs and Human Rights are working tirelessly to protect civilians, children and women. We are collecting evidence of violations of human rights, enabling justice for victims against perpetrators of atrocities and crimes against humanity.

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