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**The second front:**

Since the 1990 elections held in Burma, the *National league for Democracy* ( NLD ) winning an overall majority, the country is still under military dictatorship after the regime leaders ignored the results of that election. The rest of the world however, saw it as a success, and the media had a field day portraying *Aung San Suu Kyi*, as a leading light and created an icon for others to look up to. At the time, and for some years after the election, this was good for Burma, it offered hope, and many believed the military regime would crumble under pressure. Instead, the NLD set on a course of political self destruction and, internal power struggles. It was helped on its way by the badly thought out formation of the NCGUB, and the political blunder of selecting Sein Win, at its head, because, he saw himself as leader of Burma, and has used the NCGUB, funded by donations, to manipulate proceedings which would hold down any constructive engagement with other political bodies involved in Burma's struggle, consequently, disrupting advancement ever since, simply, for personal gain!

Other obstacles, preventing any substantial advancement, are the many individuals, *who say a great deal, but stop when it comes down to the hard truths*, and who; have today, no understanding at all, as to the mentality of the regime, or the ability to comprehend the military mind. If they do, which is very unlikely, then they prefer to keep quite, firstly; because they fear reprisals if they are seen to rock the boat, secondly; they hold no qualifications what so ever for them to conceive a recipe for solutions, and thirdly; they each have their own agenda's and do not cater for all those suffering the same problem! For decades, every conversation, every debate, and every statement made have been focused on the problems created by the regime, and set about making demands of them. Never at anytime, has anyone committed to solving the problems. The world is well aware of the reasons, just as the new generation of Burmese pro-democracy activists are; who, incidentally, have waited patiently for the self appointed advisors to democracy to find a solution and act on it, but of course, they will not, because these people do not want to rock a boat which feeds them. More importantly, they do not have the means or capabilities, or indeed the interest, to get among the people, in order to rally them. Because these people choose to act the part on another continent, consequently, all their empty talk is wasted on each other, and is only good for social chit chat!

For too long, the silent majority have held back, trapped as circus spectators, watching the *NLD* and *Suu Kyi* perform repeatedly the same act in the arena, with the NCGUB busy looking after individual personal interests.

Pop stars to Politicians, all eventually lose their status image as more new acts appear on the scene. In Burma's pro-democracy arena, new acts are prevented from auditioning, so the people are locked in a time warp of perpetual isolation, forced to

applaud the same boring tune over and over again, until finally, they become institutionalised, making them impervious to any change. Many doctrines surviving in the world today, from the political to religion, operate in this manner, and are used to turn man against man just so the tyrants can hold onto power. The major beneficiaries from this state of mind, in Burma's arena are; the *Military Regime*, the *NLD*, and of course, *Suu Kyi*, but also the *NCGUB*, and all of its *cronies*, although, signs revealing a showing of discontent within its ranks are apparent. Meanwhile, the suffering still continues inside Burma at an alarming rate!

Other than one or two people, and of course the PDP, no other group or individual have ever shown an ounce of initiative in any manner or form, toward confronting head on, Burma's dilemma! Each and every one has simply made detours from the truth by making demands upon every one but themselves. Being dependant of the world, to solve Burma's problem, is to permit continuing suffering on the people of Burma. To stand on the platform of passive resistance against tyranny, may appear as honourable, but is in fact, only undertaken by those, who, because of their ineptness at conceiving and executing other means, use it as an escape clause from responsibility, or, they lack the courage needed, to stand their ground in times of peril? It could of course be used, as a means to receive donations in which to feed one's greed and ego. These reasons, considering Burma's plight, and the lack of incentive from many, to win for *all*, is totally abominable, and irresponsible to the point of treason!

## **A SECOND FRONT!**

Burma's route to sanctuary can no longer be left in the hands of the *NLD* and / or *Suu Kyi*, and certainly not with the *NCGUB*

A new initiative must be applied if Burma is to have any future. To depend on America with its promise of defeating tyranny, is only to dream, which only the few exiles can live, the reality for the people, is very different!

Again and again, the wrong image of events is passed around the world, about the true state of the *NLD* as a political force, and *Suu Kyi*, as a political influence. In truth, both have never really reached the first step on the ladder. Those who knew the capabilities of the regime fully understood the implications of the *NLD* winning the election and where it would lead. They were right!

***Time for a second front***, consisting of; open mind-ness and forthright debate, offered by an independent of *NLD*, political hard-line party. This political party, is not a flash in the pan but is well established, and has already held the reins of power given to them by the people. Being the most senior political party in Burma and the first to be democratically elected makes it the only eligible party to undertake this mission.

The present day hierarchy of this party are hardened politicians and fighters. Its members are loyal and patriotic to Burma and democracy. They fully understand the barriers and are capable of executing change. The party is not about hogging all the limelight in order

to boost its own status, it does not care who rules under a democracy other than it must be a democracy.

The *Parliamentary Democracy Party* ( **PDP** ) with its present leadership, are the only party willing to confront the realities of Burma's dilemma. The present NLD leadership has failed to confront these barriers, the NCGUB is happy with the way things are running, because new influences or democracy would mean the end for them, or at least its leadership. Non affiliated and non-committed individuals will not voice these issues because they have neither the courage nor the clout to implement change.

The PDP do not, and would never, deny the 1990 elections, that we are sure. It supported the NLD, but, it must be recognised, that its present standing, as a single viable opposition to the military regime has declined to the point of being a non-entity other than outside of Burma, partly from pressure applied by the SPDC and partly by its own inadequacies, and partly by the inadequacies, mis-appropriations of funds and resources, by the NCGUB!

The *PDP*, see clearly, the path they should tread for Burma. It has in the past, given all the support possible to others, but have been failed miserably. The party has been working endlessly since being revamped, mostly in silence. The pre-planning, the endless hours of assessing all the facts, disposing of all the fiction, has been completed. The time for action is upon all those who want freedom! The PDP according to our information, offers the open gate. If they have to walk through it alone, then let the rewards be theirs, and theirs alone to share with the people who have been imprisoned under tyranny inside Burma, leaving those who hold selfish characters, locked outside for ever!

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