



Republic of the Union of Myanmar
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Ministry of Foreign Affairs
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**Statement Condemning Intimidation of the Diplomatic Representative of
Timor-Leste**

1. The National Unity Government of Myanmar (NUG) strongly condemns reports that the terrorist military junta has pressured the diplomatic representative of Timor-Leste to leave Myanmar within seven days.
2. This act of intimidation against diplomatic engagement undermines the established framework of diplomatic relations under the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations. While Article 9 permits a receiving State to declare a diplomat persona non grata, this authority must be exercised in accordance with established diplomatic procedures and international law. Any form of coercion or intimidation is inconsistent with the spirit of the Convention and the principles governing peaceful diplomatic engagement.
3. The NUG maintains regular communication with several ASEAN member states, including Timor-Leste. The Myanmar military's decision to single out Timor-Leste raises serious concerns regarding its respect for international diplomatic norms and practice.
4. The NUG expresses its sincere appreciation to all countries, including Timor-Leste, for their continued support for accountability in Myanmar, justice for victims, and the end of the culture of impunity. We respectfully call upon the international community to sustain and strengthen its assistance to the people of Myanmar during this critical period.

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