

Long March and Hunger Strike in New York for Freedom and Democracy in BURMA

6 September 2004 (Sixth Day)

The day began at around 11:00 AM at the monastery where the activists stayed overnight. Together with Ko Seing Moe Ko Ko from Wisconsin and Ko Sithu Zaw Win from Utica, New York, the three activists prepared for the sixth day's journey by making posters, signs and pamphlets. While doing so, the group received news that 28 people (including a three months old baby girl) were planning to join the activists at the starting point for day six of the march.



The sixth day of the "Long March" commenced at around 1:45 PM. The campaign that had started with just three activists on the first day had on the sixth day grown to include over thirty marchers.

This show of solidarity was encouraging to the activists. The supporters brought Burmese food and delicacies for lunch to be shared among all the participants. During the course of the "Long March", local residents showed their support by honking their car horns. Many

came over to offer good wishes.

There is an overwhelming pride on the faces of Burmese activists for freedom and democracy in Burma. The marchers recognized that they were marching for a good cause -- for Burma to obtain democracy that she deserve and for the release of Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, U Tin Oo and all political prisoners. The three primary marchers do not appear tired or lethargic. On the contrary, they seemed to be walking with a re-doubled energy brought about by the supporters who came to walk with them and by encouragement from local residents.

The following supporters from Utica, New York joined the "Long March":

1. U Man Thaug Tin
2. Shatar Aye
3. Htoo Law Al
4. Al Thada Htoo
5. Naw Naw
6. Starry Lay
7. Ehler Tha
8. Htoo Natt
9. Soe Htut
10. Ohn Yee
11. Ka Baw Shee
12. Ka Baw Warr
13. Myint Myint Win Htut



14. Eddie Yeh Soe Htut
15. Saw Chit
16. Naw Pauf Baung
17. Sar Thamu Chit (4 years of age)
18. Sar Thapa Lay Chit (2 years of age)
19. Sar Ku Chit (2 months of age)
20. Saw Ku Htoo
21. Naw Boo Lar Warr
22. Saw Khin
23. Lay Htoo Warr
24. Joshua
25. U Saw Lay KaLae'
26. Rossetta
27. Htay(L) Dah
28. Htay Lwin Oo

The sixth day finished at 7:30 PM, after the marchers had completed 12 miles. A total of 70 miles have been covered during 6 days of marching. Through a telephone call the marchers learned that tomorrow, on September 7, Venerable Jun Yasuda will be joining the march.



We apologize for inaccurate information released inadvertently by Capital News 9. Due to language differences, the news program noted that the length of the journey was 50 to 60 days.

The correct duration of the journey is 15 to 16 days. Additionally, the program noted that the marchers were to arrive in New York for the meeting of the "U.S. Security Council." Rather, the marchers will arrive for the September meeting of the United Nations Security Council.

(Note: For those who are unable to support the "Long Freedom March" activists in person, e-mails of encouragement and support can be sent to [freedomlongmarch@aol.com](mailto:freedomlongmarch@aol.com) )

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