Press Releases: Appeal Hearing of Reuters Reporters Wa Lone and Kyaw Soe Oo in Burma

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The United States is deeply disappointed that the Yangon High Court upheld the convictions of Reuters journalists Wa Lone and Kyaw Soe Oo today. A free and independent press should be protected in any democracy. Today's ruling casts doubt not only on freedom of expression in Burma, but also raises questions about Burma's commitment to the rule of law. We will continue to advocate at all levels for the just release of these brave journalists.

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