## <u>Press Releases: Secretary Pompeo's</u> <u>Meeting With Burmese Minister for the</u> <u>Office of the State Counsellor Kyaw</u> <u>Tint Swe</u>

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The below is attributable to Spokesperson Heather Nauert:

Secretary of State Michael R. Pompeo met September 27 with Burmese Minister for the Office of the State Counsellor Kyaw Tint Swe in New York on the margins of the UN General Assembly meetings. While underscoring U.S. support for the democratic transition in Burma and efforts to achieve national peace and reconciliation, the Secretary urged the Government of Burma to take concrete steps to investigate the human rights abuses chronicled by the U.S. Documentation Report and UN Fact Finding Mission and to hold accountable members of the security forces and others responsible for these acts. The Secretary also called for the Burmese government to immediately release jailed Reuters reporters Wa Lone and Kyaw Soe Oo and to strengthen and protect freedom of expression and the press.

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