

# UK government statement – state of emergency in Myanmar

News story

The UK government has issued a statement condemning the state of emergency imposed by the Myanmar military on 1 February.



A spokesperson for the UK government said:

The UK condemns the state of emergency imposed by the Myanmar military on 1 February, and the detention of members of the civilian Government and civil society, including State Counsellor Aung San Suu Kyi and President Win Myint. The UK calls on the military to respect the rule of law and human rights, and release those unlawfully detained.

We need to see the peaceful reconvening of the National Assembly, respecting the results of the November 2020 general election and the expressed wishes of the people of Myanmar.

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