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## **Information Release on 2<sup>nd</sup> Preliminary Meeting for Political Dialogue between UNFC and UPWC Delegations**

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1. On September 8, 2013, the United Nationalities Federal Council (UNFC) Delegation for Political Dialogue (DPD) and the Union Peace-making Work Committee (UPWC) delegation, held in Chiangmai, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Preliminary Meeting for “political dialogue”. As observers, the Japanese government Special Envoy, H. E. Yohei Sasakawa, officials of the Nippon Foundation, representatives of the United Nationalities Alliance (UNA) and the All-Burma Students Democratic Front (ABSDF) attended the meeting, while Khaing Soe Naing Aung, Vice-Chairman of the Arakan Liberation Party (ALP), attended the meeting as a member of the UNFC delegation.
2. The two sides discussed cordially and frankly in preparation for proceeding towards substantive political dialogue. In turn, the UNFC delegation head Nai Hong Sar gave the opening speech, while Pu Zing Cung presented views and position on political process, Khu Oo Reh on framework for political dialogue, Padoh Mahn Mahn on preconditions for nationwide ceasefire and Col. Hkun Okker on the main outcomes and consequences of the Ethnic Nationalities Conference.
3. In the meeting, members of the UPWC delegation clarified mainly about signing nationwide ceasefire agreement, framework for political dialogue and the timeline.
4. At the end of the meeting, the participants were able to issue a four-point joint statement. However, there is still need for negotiating the 6-point Road Map of the ethnic nationalities, for smooth political dialogue, and the government’s 8-point Road Map for peace.
5. The UNFC is to continue the effort to negotiate for gaining effective agreements and the emergence of political dialogue. For public information, the main papers presented in the meeting are attached with this information release.

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