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Release all detained journalists

In honour of pro-democracy activist and journalist U Win Tin, who spent 19 years in prison for his opposition to the former military regime, who died exactly 7 years ago on April 21st, DVB calls upon the junta to release all journalists that are currently being jailed.



DVB managed to confirm 33 journalists are currently being detained for doing their job. More journalists could be detained though. Journalism is not a crime. The military junta must release them immediately.

In the next 33 pages more details about each journalist can be found, as far as could be confirmed at this time.

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Chronological order of date of arrest



Name - Shwe Yee W

Age - 27

Gender - Female

Organization - TimeAyeyar

Position - Reporter

Location of arrest - Pathein

Date of arrest - 10.02.2021

State/Region - Ayeyarwaddy

Place of detention - Pathein Prison

Charge - N/A

Lawyer visit - N/A

Family visit - N/A



Name - Ye Myo Khant

Age - 21

Gender - Male

Organization - Myanmar Pressphoto Agency (MPA)

Position - Photo journalist

Location of arrest - Yangon

Date of arrest - 27.02.2021

State/Region - Yangon

Place of detention - Insein Prison

Charge - 505 (A)

Lawyer visit - Yes

Family visit - Yes

Ye Myo Khant was arrested while he was taking pictures at a protest at Hlaedan in Yangon.



Name - Kay Zin Nway

Age - 28

Gender - Female

Organization - Myanmar Now

Position - Reporter

Location of arrest - Yangon

Date of arrest - 27.02.2021

State/Region - Yangon

Place of detention - Insein Prison

Charge - 505 (A)

Lawyer visit - Yes

Family visit - No

Kay Zin Nway was arrested while covering the protest in Myay Ni Gone township in Yangon. She is not in good health in Insein prison and she is not receiving any medicines nor goods her family and friends send. One female detainee who was detained in the same prison and released recently, stated Kay Zin Nway knew she will not be released because she works for Myanmar Now, which is well known for investigative stories.



Name - Hein Pyae Zaw

Age - 28

Gender - Male

Organization - Zee Kwyat News

Position - Reporter

Location of arrest - Yangon

Date of arrest - 27.02.2021

State/Region - Yangon

Place of detention - Insein

Charge - 505 (A)

Lawyer visit - Yes

Family visit - Yes (video conference)

Hein Pyae Zaw was arrested in Hlae dan while he was covering the news about the protest.



Name - Ye Yint Htun

Age - 39

Gender - Male

Organization - Than Taw Sint

Position - Reporter

Location of arrest - Pathein

Date of arrest - 28.02.2021

State/Region - Ayeyarwaddy

Place of detention - Pathein Prison

Charge - 505 (A / B)

Lawyer visit - Yes

Family visit - Yes (Video conference)

Ye Yint Htun was arrested while covering the news about the protest in Pathein.



Name - Banyar Oo

Age - 44

Gender - Male

Organization - Freelance

Position - Reporter

Location of arrest - Hlaing Thayar

Date of arrest - 28.02.2021

State/Region - Yangon

Place of detention - Insein Prison

Charge - 505 (A)

Lawyer visit - Yes

Family visit - No

Banyar Oo was arrested while covering the protest at Hlaedan in Yangon. His friends and family looked for him for three days since he was missing. Finally they found his name on the lists of detainees in Insein Prison.



Name - Soe Yar Zar Tun

Age - 35

Gender - Male

Organization - Freelance

Position - Reporter

Location of arrest - Hlaing Thayar

Date of arrest - 28.02.2021

State/Region - Yangon

Place of detention - Insein Prison

Charge - 505 (A)

Lawyer visit - Yes

Family visit - Yes

Soe Yar Zar Tun was arrested while covering the news about protest in Sangyaung township in Yangon.



Name - Aung Kyaw @ Kaung Myat Hlaing

Age - 32

Gender - Male

Organization - Democratic Voice of Burma (DVB)

Position - Reporter

Location of arrest - Myeik

Date of arrest - 01.03.2021

State/Region - Tanintharyi

Place of detention - Myeik Prison

Charge - 505 (A)

Lawyer visit - Yes

Family visit - No

Aung Kyaw was arrested violently while he was staying with his young daughter and wife at his home at night. Police and soldiers opened fire several rounds to his house when they arrested him. Aung Kyaw's got injured in the head when we was arrested.



Name - Min Nyo

Age - 51

Gender - Male

Organization - Democratic Voice of Burma (DVB)

Position - Reporter

Location of arrest - Pyay

Date of arrest - 03.03.2021

State/Region - Pegu

Place of detention - Pyay Prison

Charge - 505 (A)

Lawyer visit - Yes

Family visit - No

Min Nyo was arrested while he was covering the news about the protest in the town of Pyay. He was brutally beaten by the police before he was arrested.



Name - Hanthar Nyein

Age - 40

Gender - Male

Organization - Kamaryut Media

Position - Co-Founder

Location of arrest - Yangon

Date of arrest - 9.03.2021

State/Region - Yangon

Place of detention - Insein Prison

Charge - No

Lawyer visit - Yes

Family visit - No

Hanthar Nyein was arrested while he was working in his office in Yangon.



Name - Nay Than Maung

Age - 44

Gender - Male

Organization - Kamaryut Media

Position - Chief Editor / Founder

Location of arrest - Yangon

Date of arrest - 9.03.2021

State/Region - Yangon

Place of detention - Insein Prison

Charge - No

Lawyer visit - Yes

Family visit - No

Nay Than Maung was arrested while he was working in his office in Yangon.



Name - Soe Min Thu @ Lanpya Kyal Phyu

Age - 30

Gender - Male

Organization - Nowadays News

Position - Freelance Reporter

Location of arrest - Mandalay

Date of arrest - 14.03.2021

State/Region - Mandalay

Place of detention - Obo Prison

Charge - 505 (A)

Lawyer visit - Yes

Family visit - No

Soe Min Thu was arrested while he was protesting in Mandalay.



Name - Naung Yoe

Age - 38

Gender - Male

Organization - Freelance

Position - Freelance Reporter

Location of arrest - Hpakant

Date of arrest - 14.03.2021

State/Region - Kachin

Place of detention - Hpakant Police Station

Charge - 505 (A)

Lawyer visit - No

Family visit - No

He was arrested by military on the way from Lone Khin to Hpakant.



Name - Htet Myat Thu

Age - 24

Gender - Male

Organization - The Voice of Thanbhyuzayat

Position - Photo Journalist

Location of arrest - Kyaikto

Date of arrest - 14.03.2021

State/Region - Mon

Place of detention - N/A

Charge - 505 (A)

Lawyer visit - N/A

Family visit - No

He was arrested while he was shooting photographs at the protest in Kyaikto. He was shot in the legs and sent to Myawlamyaing military hospital. While he was hospitalised, soldiers arrested him there and took him. His mother went to police station and inquired about her son but the police states they have no idea where he is.



Name - Min Min Aung

Age - 45

Gender - Male

Organization - The Voice

Position - Reporter

Location of arrest - Oakkan

Date of arrest - 16.03.2021

State/Region - Yangon

Place of detention - Insein Prison

Charge - 114, 436, 332, 505 (A)

Lawyer visit - No

Family visit - No

Min Min Aung was arrested while he was covering the news about the fire in the township of Oakkan. His wife was also arrested on the same day.



Name - Than Htike Aung

Age - 39

Gender - Male

Organization - Mizzima

Position - Reporter

Location of arrest - Naypyidaw

Date of arrest - 19.03.2021

State/Region - Naypyidaw

Place of detention - Naypyidaw

Charge -

Lawyer visit - No

Family visit - No

Than Htike Aung was arrested while covering the news about the hearing of Daw Aung San Suu Kyi in front of the court in Naypyidaw.



Name - Ba Ba Joe Phyu

Age - N/A

Gender - Male

Organization - Mizzima

Position - Freelance

Location of arrest - Bamaw

Date of arrest - 20.03.2021

State/Region - Kachin

Place of detention - N/A

Charge - N/A

Lawyer visit - N/A

Family visit - N/A



Name - Nang Nang Tai @ Nway Nway Hlaing

Age - 27

Gender - Female

Organization - Kambawza Tai

Position - Editor in Charge

Location of arrest - Hopone

Date of arrest - 24.03.2021

State/Region - Shan

Place of detention - Taung Lay Lone Prison

Charge - 505 (A)

Lawyer visit - Yes

Family visit - No

Nang Nang Tai was arrested while she was staying at her home in Hopone, Shan state.



Name - Nang Win Yee

Age - 21

Gender - Female

Organization - Kambawza Taime

Position - Reporter

Location of arrest - Hopone

Date of arrest - 24.03.2021

State/Region - Shan

Place of detention - Taung Lay Lone Prison

Charge - 505 (A)

Lawyer visit - Yes

Family visit - No

Nang Win Yee was arrested while she was hiding at her journalist friend house in Hopone, Shan state.



Name - Tin Aung Kyaw

Age - 37

Gender - Male

Organization - Kambawza Taime

Position - Publisher

Location of arrest - Hopone

Date of arrest - 24.03.2021

State/Region - Shan

Place of detention - Taung Lay Lone Prison

Charge - 505 (A)

Lawyer visit - Yes

Family visit - No

Tin Aung Kyaw was arrested while he was staying at his home in Hopone, Shan state.



Name - Wine Maw

Age - N/A

Gender - Male

Organization - Freelance

Position - Freelance

Location of arrest - Yangon

Date of arrest - 24.03.2021

State/Region - Yangon

Place of detention - Insein Prison

Charge - 505 (A)

Lawyer visit - Yes

Family visit - No

Wine Maw was arrested while he was covering the protest in Kyaukmyaung, Yangon.



Name - Tin Shwe (Minbu)

Age - 57

Gender - Male

Organization - Magwe Post

Position - Reporter

Location of arrest - Minbu

Date of arrest - 26.03.2021

State/Region - Magwe

Place of detention - Magwe Prison

Charge - 505 (A) 505 (D)

Lawyer visit - Yes

Family visit - Yes

Tin Shwe was arrested while he was covering the protest in the town of Minbu.



Name - Cham Bu

Age - 24

Gender - Female

Organization - 74 Media

Position - Reporter

Location of arrest - Myintkyina

Date of arrest - 29.03.2021

State/Region - Kachin

Place of detention - MyintKyina Prison

Charge - 505 (A)

Lawyer visit - No

Family visit - No

Cham Bu was arrested while she was covering the protest in Myitkyina.



Name - Layaw

Age - 27

Gender - Male

Organization - Kachin Waves

Position - Reporter

Location of arrest - Myitkyina

Date of arrest - 29.03.2021

State/Region - Kachin

Place of detention - Myikyina Prison

Charge - 505 (A)

Lawyer visit - Yes

Family visit - No

Layaw was arrested while he was covering the protest in Myitkyina.



Name - Thet Naing Win

Age - 27

Gender - Male

Organization - Democratic Voice of Burma (DVB)

Position - Citizen Journalist

Location of arrest - Minhla

Date of arrest - 5.04.2021

State/Region - Bago

Place of detention - Tharrawady Prison

Charge - 505 (A)

Lawyer visit - No

Family visit - No



Name - Lapyae

Age - N/A

Gender - Male

Organization - Bago Weekly

Position - Reporter

Location of arrest - Pyay

Date of arrest - 5.04.2021

State/Region - Pyay

Place of detention - N/A

Charge - N/A

Lawyer visit - N/A

Family visit - N/A



Name - Zin Thaw Naing

Age - N/A

Gender - Male

Organization - Democracy Vision

Position - Editor

Location of arrest - Yangon

Date of arrest - 5.04.2021

State/Region - Yangon

Place of detention - Insein Prison

Charge - 505 (A)

Lawyer visit - N/A

Family visit - N/A

Zin Thaw Naing was arrested while he was doing poster campaign on the street of Yangon.



Name - Zaw Zaw

Age - 36

Gender - Male

Organization - Freelance

Position - Reporter

Location of arrest - Myeik

Date of arrest - 6.04.2021

State/Region - Tanintharyi

Place of detention - Myeik Prison

Charge - 505 (A)

Lawyer visit - No

Family visit - No

Zaw Zaw was arrested at his home in Myeik.



Name - Thin Thin Aung

Age - 54

Gender - Female

Organization - Mizzama

Position - Co Founder

Location of arrest - Yangon

Date of arrest - 8.04.2021

State/Region - Yangon

Place of detention - Yangon

Charge - No

Lawyer visit - No

Family visit - No

Thin Thin Aung was arrested while she was taking a cab after she left a bank in Yangon.



Name - Myo Myat Myat Pan

Age - N/A

Gender - Female

Organization - Myitkyina News Journal

Position - Reporter

Location of arrest - Myitkyina

Date of arrest - 14.04.2021

State/Region - Kachin

Place of detention - Myitkyina

Charge - No

Lawyer visit - No

Family visit - No

Myo Myat Myat Pan was arrested at her home in Myitkyi na.



Name - Christopher

Age - 19

Gender - Male

Organization - Myitkyina News Journal

Position - Reporter

Location of arrest - Myitkyina

Date of arrest - 14.04.2021

State/Region - Kachin

Place of detention - Myitkyina

Charge - No

Lawyer visit - No

Family visit - No

Christopher was arrested at his home in Myitkyina.



Name - Ah Je

Age - 19

Gender - Male

Organization - Myitkyina News Journal

Position - Reporter

Location of arrest - Myitkyina

Date of arrest - 15.04.2021

State/Region - Kachin

Place of detention - Myitkyina

Charge - No

Lawyer visit - No

Family visit - No

Ah Je was arrested at his home in Myitkyina.



Name - Yawei Maung

Age - N/A

Gender - Male

Organization - Freelance

Position -Freelance Reporter

Location of arrest - Myaungmya

Date of arrest - 20.04.2021

State/Region - Ayeyarwaddy

Place of detention - Myaung Mya Prison

Charge - 505 (A)

Lawyer visit - N/A

Family visit - N/A

Yawei Maung went to Myaungmya police station himself since he got information about that police wanted him to come to police station for some questions. Police arrested him when he arrived at the station.