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Burma Research Institute Welcomes the Joint Statement on Burma

Ellicott City, MD ----- The Burma Research Institute (BRI), formerly known as the Chin Association of Maryland (CAM), welcomes the [joint statement](#) issued on November 20th on the crisis in Burma by U.S. Representatives Ami Bera, M.D. (D-CA) and Young Kim (R-CA), Ranking Member and Chair of the House Foreign Affairs Subcommittee on East Asia and Pacific, and Representatives Sydney Kamlager-Dove (D-CA) and Bill Huizenga (R-MI), Ranking Member and Chair of the House Foreign Affairs Subcommittee on South and Central Asia. The statement was issued following the [Congressional Hearing on Burma](#) held on November 19th titled, **No Exit Strategy: Burma's Endless Crisis and America's Limited Options**.

“To support a peaceful and democratic future for Burma, we urge the Administration to publicly condemn the junta’s upcoming sham elections and appoint a Special Representative and Policy Coordinator for Burma to lead U.S. efforts to address the crisis”, said the statement.

“I am hopeful that the Trump administration will promptly listen to the lawmakers’ call, said BRI President and CEO Zo Tum Hmung.

Mr. Hmung further said, “this Congressional Hearing on Burma is timely as the first round of the sham elections in Burma will be conducted on December 28, 2025, and I am grateful to the lawmakers, especially Congresswoman Young Kim who led in organizing the hearing”.

Since 2023, BRI has been organizing the Congressional Briefings on Burma.

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