



# Myanmar military seizes power, detains Suu Kyi

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Myanmar's leader Aung San Suu Kyi and other senior figures from the ruling party have been detained in an early morning raid, the spokesman for the governing National League for Democracy (NLD) said on Monday.



1. Myanmar's military seized power on Monday in a coup \_\_\_\_\_
2. Other senior figures from the country's ruling party were detained \_\_\_\_\_
3. On Military-owned TV, the Myanmar army declared a state of emergency and said \_\_\_\_\_
4. Dozens of soldiers were around the city hall in major city Yangon \_\_\_\_\_
5. Phone lines to the nation's capital Naypyidaw \_\_\_\_\_
6. Parliament had been set to start there on Monday \_\_\_\_\_
7. State-run television MRTV showed no signal and said in a Facebook post \_\_\_\_\_
- 8-1. A ruling party lawmaker, who requested anonymity \_\_\_\_\_  
8-2. said Han Thar Myint, a member of the party's central executive committee, \_\_\_\_\_

9. A military spokesman did not answer phone calls \_\_\_\_\_

10. The arrests come after last November's election, which gave Suu Kyi's party, \_\_\_\_\_

11-1. The military, which controls key positions in parliament and Suu Kyi's administration, \_\_\_\_\_

11-2. but they promised over the weekend \_\_\_\_\_

11-3. after suggesting earlier that week \_\_\_\_\_

12. Meanwhile, Myanmar's election commission \_\_\_\_\_

13. Suu Kyi came to power in 2015 in a landslide election... \_\_\_\_\_

14-1. She had won the Nobel Peace prize for her effort, \_\_\_\_\_

14-2. after hundreds of thousands of the Rohingya people \_\_\_\_\_

15. At home, \_\_\_\_\_

### [Vocabulary]

Myanmar's military / seized power on Monday in a coup against the democratically elected government / of Aung San Suu Kyi.

□ **coup**: an occasion when a group of people takes control of a country, usually by means of military force

- *They were sentenced to death for their part in April's coup attempt.*
- *There has been a series of military coups since the country gained independence.*

□ **figure**: someone who is important in some way

- *The movement is supported by key figures in the three main political parties.*
- *She was the dominant figure in British politics in the 1980s.*

□ **detain**: to keep someone in a police station or prison and not allow them to leave

- *The act allows police to detain a suspect for up to 48 hours.*
- *A 29-year-old man was detained for questioning.*

□ **raid**: an action by police officers in which they suddenly enter a place in order to arrest people or search for something such as illegal drugs

- *a fraud-squad raid*
- *...an armed raid on a small Post Office.*

□ **detention**: the state of being kept in a police station or prison and not being allowed to leave; Detention is when someone is arrested or put into prison, especially for political reasons.

- *They have been held in detention since the end of June.*
- *The government says the detentions are necessary on national security grounds.*

□ **Yangon**: the capital and largest city of Myanmar; located in the south near the Irrawaddy river delta

□ **phone line**: a telephone connection

- *He refuses to call for help and cuts the phone line.*
- *The website and phone line were shut down late 2013.*

□ **Naypyidaw**: the official capital of Myanmar (Burma), built in the centre of the country near Pyinmana in 2005–2006, and superseding Yangon (Rangoon) for main government functions. Pop: 1 029 712 (2015 est.)

□ **state-run**: controlled by the government

- *state-run television*
- *For the masses the only information available is the propaganda peddled in state-run newspapers and on the state-run television.*

□ **anonymity**: a situation in which the name of a person who does something such as write a book or give information is not known or is kept secret

- *The police have reassured witnesses that they will be guaranteed anonymity.*
- *The informant spoke on condition of anonymity.*

□ **retaliation**: the act of doing something harmful or unpleasant to someone because they have done something harmful or unpleasant to you

- *There is always the risk of possible retaliation against peacekeeping soldiers.*
- *The car bombings were apparently in retaliation for the arrest of the terrorists.*

□ **Han Thar Myint**: a Burmese politician. He currently serves on the National League for Democracy's Central Executive Committee and is a party spokesman.

□ **fraudulent**: deceitful, untrue, dishonest; made with the intention of tricking someone, especially illegally

- *Now they are calling the election fraudulent, and attempting to install a little-known politician more to their liking.*
- *They warn that such documents could be used for fraudulent or criminal purposes.*

□ **abolish**: to officially get rid of a law, system, practice, etc.

- *Slavery was abolished in the U.S. in the 19th century.*
- *The following year Parliament voted to abolish the death penalty for murder.*

□ **commission:** a group of people that is officially put in charge of something or asked to find out about something

- *The authorities have been asked to set up a commission to investigate the murders.*
- *The state set up a commission to study the proposed merger of the school districts.*

□ **allegation:** statements affirming or denying certain matters of fact that you are prepared to prove; An allegation is a statement saying that someone has done something wrong.

- The company has denied the allegations.
- *Allegations of brutality and theft have been leveled at the army.*

□ **fraud:** the action of producing false documents or information in order to get what you want

- *electoral fraud*
- *vote fraud*

□ **house arrest:** confinement to your own home; If someone is under house arrest, they are officially ordered not to leave their home, because they are suspected of being involved in an illegal activity.

- *The main opposition leaders had been arrested or placed under house arrest.*
- *He was released from house arrest two years ago.*

□ **Rohingya:** The Rohingya people are a stateless Indo-Aryan ethnic group who predominantly follow Islam and reside in Rakhine State, Myanmar (previously known as Burma). Before the displacement crisis in 2017, when over 740,000 fled to Bangladesh, an estimated 1.4 million Rohingya lived in Myanmar. Described by journalists and news outlets as one of the most persecuted minorities in the world, the Rohingya population is denied citizenship under the 1982 Myanmar nationality law. They are also restricted from freedom of movement, state education and civil service jobs.

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