



Managers Resolving Amendment

AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_ Calendar No. \_\_\_\_\_

Purpose: In the nature of a substitute.

**IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—118th Cong., 1st Sess.****S. Res. 20**

Condemning the coup that took place on February 1, 2021, in Burma and the Burmese military's detention of civilian leaders, calling for an immediate and unconditional release of all those detained, promoting accountability and justice for those killed by the Burmese military, and calling for those elected to serve in parliament to resume their duties without impediment, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_ and  
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AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE intended  
to be proposed by Mr. CARDIN

Viz:

- 1 Strike all after the resolving clause and insert the fol-
- 2 lowing: "That the Senate—
- 3 (1) supports the people of Burma in their quest
- 4 for democracy, sustainable peace, and genuine ethnic
- 5 and religious reconciliation, including for members
- 6 of ethnic and religious groups whose human rights
- 7 have been violated repeatedly and who have been
- 8 disenfranchised historically;

1 (2) calls on Burma's military regime to—

2 (A) immediately and unconditionally re-  
3 lease all political prisoners detained as a result  
4 of the coup on February 1, 2021;

5 (B) immediately restore all forms of com-  
6 munication, including access to the internet  
7 without surveillance;

8 (C) immediately end the use of violence  
9 and allow for a legal process for accountability  
10 and justice for those unlawfully detained, in-  
11 jured, and killed by Burma's military regime;

12 (D) remove all impediments to free travel  
13 that have been imposed as a result of the coup;

14 (E) return to power all members of the ci-  
15 vilian government elected in the November 8,  
16 2020 elections and allow them to fulfill their  
17 mandate without impediment;

18 (F) allow for the exercise of freedoms of  
19 expression, including with respect to press free-  
20 doms and the freedom of peaceful assembly,  
21 and freedom of movement; and

22 (G) allow unfettered reporting from local,  
23 national, and international media;

24 (3) calls on social media companies to take ac-  
25 tion with respect to the accounts of the Union Soli-

1        darity and Development Party and Burma’s military  
2        regime that have used their platforms to spread  
3        disinformation, fear, and threats of violence;

4            (4) supports the use of all diplomatic, economic,  
5        and development tools to ensure that vulnerable  
6        groups, including ethnic and religious groups, as well  
7        as all children, youth, and teachers in educational  
8        settings are safe, and schools and universities are  
9        not targeted for attacks or use by the military re-  
10       gime;

11           (5) expresses grave concern for the safety and  
12        security of the more than 1,000,000 internally dis-  
13        placed persons (referred to in this resolution as  
14        “IDPs”) and refugees who have been displaced by  
15        Burma’s military regime and now face challenging  
16        conditions in camps or makeshift communities dis-  
17        connected from humanitarian routes and access;

18           (6) expresses grave concern for the 17,600,000  
19        people of Burma who are in need of humanitarian  
20        aid, including the 1,500,000 IDPs in Burma, of  
21        which some 165,000 remain in the southeast, adding  
22        to those already displaced in Rakhine, Chin, Shan,  
23        and Kachin states;

24           (7) appreciates the generosity of Burma’s  
25        neighboring countries, including Thailand, India,

1 and Bangladesh, and encourages them to meaning-  
2 fully assist refugees who have fled and continue to  
3 flee Burma's military regime, including through the  
4 delivery of cross-border humanitarian assistance and  
5 with recognition of the protracted nature of the con-  
6 flict;

7 (8) encourages the Association of Southeast  
8 Asian Nations (ASEAN) and ASEAN member  
9 states to take a more active role asserting the unac-  
10 ceptable nature of the junta's coup and continued  
11 oppression of the people of Burma, including, if nec-  
12 essary, reconsidering their commercial relations with  
13 the junta and state-owned or -controlled enterprises  
14 in Burma, especially where commercial and business  
15 arrangements serve as obstacles to action by  
16 ASEAN member states; and

17 (9) calls on the President, the Secretary of  
18 State, and the Secretary of Defense to fully imple-  
19 ment the BURMA Act of 2022 (subtitle E of title  
20 LV of division E of Public Law 117–263), and any  
21 similar or successor law or other law addressing  
22 United States foreign assistance following a coup,  
23 and to immediately—

24 (A) impose targeted restrictions aimed at  
25 the military regime, military-owned or -con-

1 trolled enterprises, and those responsible for the  
2 February 1, 2021 coup;

3 (B) prioritize in bilateral and multilateral  
4 diplomacy, including at the United Nations,  
5 with United States' allies in the region, and  
6 with ASEAN, the condemnation of the coup  
7 and its international enablers and  
8 delegitimization of the junta and any military-  
9 run elections announced by the junta;

10 (C) take steps to ensure that international  
11 economic engagement in Burma does not con-  
12 tribute to human rights abuses or benefit indi-  
13 viduals connected to the coup;

14 (D) support conditionality on diplomatic,  
15 economic, and security relations with Burma,  
16 including using the voice and vote of the United  
17 States at multilateral development institutions,  
18 until all those wrongfully detained in the Feb-  
19 ruary 1, 2021 coup are released and there has  
20 been a full restoration of the civilian-controlled  
21 parliament;

22 (E) use the voice and vote of the United  
23 States on the United Nations Security Council  
24 and in other multilateral and bilateral fora to  
25 bring about greater international cooperation

1 and support for the pursuit of justice and ac-  
2 countability in Burma;

3 (F) empower and provide assistance to the  
4 National Unity Government of the Republic of  
5 the Union of Myanmar, the National Unity  
6 Consultative Council, the Civil Disobedience  
7 Movement in Myanmar, and other entities pro-  
8 moting democracy in Burma, including the pro-  
9 vision of non-lethal assistance, including to Eth-  
10 nic Armed Organizations and People's Defense  
11 Forces, consistent with the BURMA Act (sub-  
12 title E of title LV of division E of Public Law  
13 117–263) and channeling aid through local civil  
14 society organizations along the Thai and Indian  
15 borders that are not controlled by the junta,  
16 while simultaneously denying legitimacy and re-  
17 sources to the junta;

18 (G) promote national reconciliation among  
19 the diverse ethnic and religious groups in  
20 Burma;

21 (H) counter moral and material support to  
22 the junta by the People's Republic of China and  
23 the Russian Federation and other supporters of  
24 the military regime, including through the voice  
25 and vote of the United States at the United

1 Nations Security Council and other multilateral  
2 fora; and

3 (I) secure the restoration of democracy,  
4 the establishment of an inclusive and represent-  
5 ative civilian government and a reformed mili-  
6 tary reflecting the diversity of Burma and  
7 under civilian control, and the enactment of  
8 constitutional, political, and economic reform in  
9 Burma.