



Security Council AOB on the situation in Myanmar, 13 April 2023

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Thank you President, and I also thank [Special Envoy Heyzer] for her briefing.

We strongly condemn the airstrikes conducted in Kanbalu Township, Sagaing Region that took the lives of dozens of civilians, including women and children. Those responsible must be held accountable.

This attack reflect the military regime's continued blatant disregard for binding rules of international law, including international humanitarian law, which places clear obligations to protect civilians.

In the immediate aftermath of this attack, it is crucial that full, safe and unhindered humanitarian access to all people in need is facilitated; for the injured to be allowed urgent medical treatment; and for the full protection, safety and security of humanitarian and medical personnel to be prioritised.

The Security Council must be in a position to pronounce itself when faced with such a significant loss of lives, a blatant disregard for the protection of civilians, and actions in direct violation of Resolution 2669 which calls for an immediate cessation of violence.



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The military regime must respect Resolution 2669, and immediately take all necessary steps to cease violence and constructively engage with the international community.

We reiterate our call for an immediate cessation of all violence and to pursuing a peaceful solution to the crisis in Myanmar that allows the country to return to its democratic path.

I thank you.