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Condolences Message from State Counsellor Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, Chairperson of the National Reconciliation and Peace Centre, to the family members of General Saw Htay Maung, Chairman of the Peace Council of KNU/KNLA, and the Peace Council of KNU/KNLA.

4 May 2020

It was learnt that General Saw Htay Maung, Chairman of the Peace Council of KNU/KNLA, who took part in signing the Nationwide Ceasefire Agreement, fell asleep in Jesus at 6:20 pm on 3 May 2020 (Sunday). I feel the same grief and loss as those who have lost their leader, their comrade, and their family member.

I firmly believe that the KNU/KNLA Peace Council leaders would carry on, together with the Union Government, the ongoing peace process for building a Democratic Federal Union, which was the aspiration of General Saw Htay Maung.

I send this message of condolences with prayers

of good blessings to the bereaved family, members of the Peace Council of KNU/KNLA, and all their family members.

Sd/-Aung San Suu Kyi State Counsellor



Two important points to keep in mind - making sure there is no infection spread among those from reopened factories after health inspections and those returning home from the border areas: State Counsellor

TATE Counsellor Daw Aung San Su Kyi wrote on her Facebook page yesterday that there were two important points to keep in mind at the moment in trying to contain the COVID: among those from the workplaces and factories which have been allowed to reopen after health inspections and those who will be returning home from the border areas, efforts must be made to ensure that there is no spread of COVID. This is what she wrote:

There has been no one found to be COVID positive among tests made on 1st and 2nd May 2020. On 3rd May, there were four persons who tested positive. That is why I have to keep reminding that we absolutely cannot let our guard down, to the point of boredom, for those

who are reading this or listening to me.

I also use to say that some research psychologists have found out you need to repeat about 200 times to make a certain point stick in the brain. I often wonder whether we really need to repeat that much.

After entering the world of politics, instead of viewing people as clever people and simpletons, or good and bad persons, I now view people as those who are easily taught and those who are difficult to teach. I don't think I would need to repeat 200 times for those who can be easily taught.

At the present moment, there are two important points we need to keep in mind in our efforts to contain COVID. Among those from factories and work estab-

lishments which have been allowed to reopen after health inspections and those who will be returning home from the border areas, efforts must be made to ensure that there is no spread of COVID.

The Ministry of Health and Sports have issued exact and specific rules and regulations for factories and work establishments and rules and programmes for migrant workers returning home. If all of them follow strictly to the letter, we will surely overcome COVID successfully.

I'm not going to write the above paragraph (200) times. Let me believe that our people are easy to teach.

(Translated by: Kyaw Myaing)

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