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Daw Aung San Suu Kyi Burma's Leader of the Opposition, Nobel Peace Laureate & CALD Honorary Individual Member

Dear Daw Aung San Suu Kyi:

We have been constantly monitoring the upcoming by-elections and political developments in Burma, and we are in awe of the swift progress that your country has shown in promoting more open and freer political engagement. While much more needs to be done, we are heartened by the response of the Burmese people to such developments, and the role that you and your party, the National League of Democracy (NLD), have played in fostering and sustaining this state of affairs.

As you embark on this journey to fulfil the role laid upon you to re-enter politics as a candidate for parliament in the upcoming elections, we your fellow Asian liberals and democrats wish to extend our good wishes and support to you and the NLD. We are aware of the significance of these elections in determining the future trajectory of democracy and freedom in your country.

You can be assured that as you enter this critical juncture in your history, we at CALD will be a constant source of strength and hope, knowing fully well that the path to democracy could be arduous and difficult.

In conveying our good wishes and felicitations, we trust that the moral ascendancy of your cause and your steadfast commitment to democracy and human rights will translate to electoral success for you and your party, which we believe is a critical step in fostering democratic transition, political reconciliation and social development in your country.

Very truly yours,

Rajiva Wijesinha, MP Chairperson

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