

The Republic of the Union of Myanmar**The Office of the President****Ordinance****Order No. (1/2021)****5th Waning of Pyatho 1382 ME****1 February 2021**

1. The Union Election Commission of Myanmar failed to address the huge discrepancy between the baseline list of voters and the actual number of voters in the multiparty democracy general elections held on 8 November 2020.
2. Although the sovereignty of the State must derive from the people, there were serious errors in the voter list of the aforesaid multiparty democracy general elections. This contradicted the consolidation of the democratic system and the concept of popular sovereignty.
3. The previous Government's refusal to address the voter list issue, failure to address the issue, rejection of the call for postponing the meetings of Pyithu Hluttaw (Lower House) and the Aymotha Hluttaw (Upper House), issuance of the Pyithu Hluttaw meeting agenda and plan to continue according to this agenda—all these acts violated Section 417 of the State Constitution of 2008 regarding the attempt to take over the sovereignty of the Union by wrongful forcible means and disintegrated national solidarity. These acts led to the disbelief in the Union Election Commission and the protests against it in many cities/areas of Myanmar. Other individuals and political parties also took part in several forms of political agitation like raising the campaign flags. These acts greatly undermined the stability of the Union.
4. If this issue is not properly addressed, there will be a great deal of hinderance on the path towards the democratization of the country. The issue needs to be solved in conformity with the law. Therefore, a state of emergency is

declared over the nation in accordance with Section 417 of the State Constitution of 2008.

5. In order to carry out necessary measures such as the verification of the voter list, the legislative, executive and judicial powers are transferred to the Commander-in-Chief of the Defence Services in accordance with Section 418 (a) of the State Constitution of 2008.

6. The area where the state of emergency in operation is the entire Nation and the specific duration is one year from the day of promulgation of this ordinance as per Section 417 of the State Constitution.

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