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**Intervention by Ambassador Kyaw Moe Tun, Permanent Representative of the
Republic of the Union of Myanmar to United Nations, at the SDG 16 Conference 2025:
Advancing Peace, Justice and Institutions for Sustainable Development**

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Mr. Moderator,

I wish to thank the organizers for convening this conference and I am thankful to the DSG and all speakers for their insightful remarks.

The 80th anniversary of the United Nations is just around the corner and we are approaching closer to the SDG deadlines.

Last year, the international community achieved a milestone by adopting the Pact for the Future in the realization of strengthening efforts to build peaceful, just and inclusive societies. Results were yielded based on our collective effort to safeguarding multilateralism. Moreover, many other processes have also been undergoing in parallel discussions on specific or all SDGs on different fora.

Nevertheless, many global turbulences remain unresolved, continue to grow and are alarmingly obstructing SDG achievements.

Among these, authoritarianism and conflicts are predominant indicators.

In Myanmar alone, there is a clear lack of progress in implementing SDG 16 targets.

The unlawful military coup in February 2021 and subsequent military junta's atrocities have demolished peace, stability and rule of law in the country.

Justice have been ceased to exist as the perpetrating military continues to commit and intensify atrocities amounting to war crimes and crimes against humanity.

Human capital and resources are shrinking under the junta's every day brutalities.

They have been attacking civilians, civilian infrastructure as well as all other democratic institutions, let alone institutions for sustainable development.

Daily indiscriminate aerial attacks and bombings have been causing extensive civilian casualties and infrastructural damages, hitting hard on institutions such as schools and hospitals that are liable for implementing sustainable development ambitions.

Even this morning, the military junta conducted aerial attacks on a school in Ohteimkyin Village, Depayin Township, Sagaing Region, killing two teachers and many school children and injuring many.

Stop killing children. Stop bombings.

Supporting the military junta will help them to kill more people including children.

As such, to enable to find a sustainable solution, we have to address the root causes.

We strongly view that ending military junta and military dictatorship, and building a federal democratic union in Myanmar will pave a way towards prevalence of sustained peace and justice in Myanmar.

I urge the international community to help our efforts to end the military dictatorship and build a federal democratic union.

Thanks.
