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Statement from the Rohingya Community

On this year's Rohingya Genocide Remembrace Day, we, the Rohingya community, commemorate the attacks of genocide against us five years ago, mourn the lives that were taken from us then, and the pain and suffering to which we have been subjected for decades.

Yet, this August 25, we choose to remind ourselves that we are more than just victims and survivors of genocide. We are resilient agents of our own future. The challenges that we have overcome together give us the strength to survive.

Therefore, today, our unity fuels our call for action: address the root cause of the genocide and support our path out of it.

- 1. We call upon more countries to recognize our genocide and hold its perpetrators, the Burmese military, accountable.
- 2. We urge governments and international organizations to provide sustainable financial, material, and political assistance to our community.
- 3. We invite the Burmese civilian leadership to meaningfully engage with us for our citizenship, ethnic nationality rights, and equal rights to be restored.

We remind all parties, both international and Burmese, to actively include and consult with us in any discussion or mechanism related to our collective future. All we want is our safe and dignified voluntary return home to Burma, our justice, and our freedom.