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CAM Statement on the Munglai Hkyet Attack in Kachin State

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Washington, DC --- On October 9, 2023, the Tatmadaw carried out a horrific bombardment on the Munglai Hkyet internally displacement camp in Laiza, Kachin State, which killed at least 29 people. Among the dead are many women and children in the Munglai Hkyet Internally Displaced Persons camp and nearby homes. 56 people are reported wounded.

The bombing was one of the deadliest since the coup. Much like the October 2022 junta airstrike on a concert in A Nang Pa, Kachin State, which killed 60, this attack demonstrates the Tatmadaw's targeting of civilians from ethnic and religious minorities.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the Kachin people and all victims of this atrocity.

CAM issues the following statement:

1. Condemning the Tatmadaw for this attack on displaced people and civilians in Kachin State.
2. Calling on the administration to place additional sanctions on sources of funding for the Burmese military junta, including the Myanmar Oil and Gas Enterprise (MOGE).

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