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## **Airstrikes on Rezua in Matupi Township Destroy Church, Displace 2000**

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**Washington, DC** --- As Chin resistance forces liberated the town of Rezua, Matupi Township, the Burmese military carried out retaliatory airstrikes on the civilian population.

On the morning of November 29, 2023, Chin forces captured the junta military outpost at Rezua and took control of the town. The Chin forces included fighters from the Chin National Army, CDF Matupi (B2) and ZZLMS, a grouping that includes CDF-Zotung, CDF-Zophei, CDF-Lautu, CDF-Mara, and CDF-Senthang.

During the fighting, Tatmadaw jets began [bombing](#) Rezua indiscriminately, destroying a church, a school, and a hospital as well as over 60 houses. 2000 people have been displaced by the airstrikes.

CAM issues the following statement:

1. Condemning the Burmese military's attacks on Chin civilians and destruction of Christian churches.
2. Calling on the administration to determine that these continued military atrocities against Christians in Burma constitute war crimes and crimes against humanity.

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