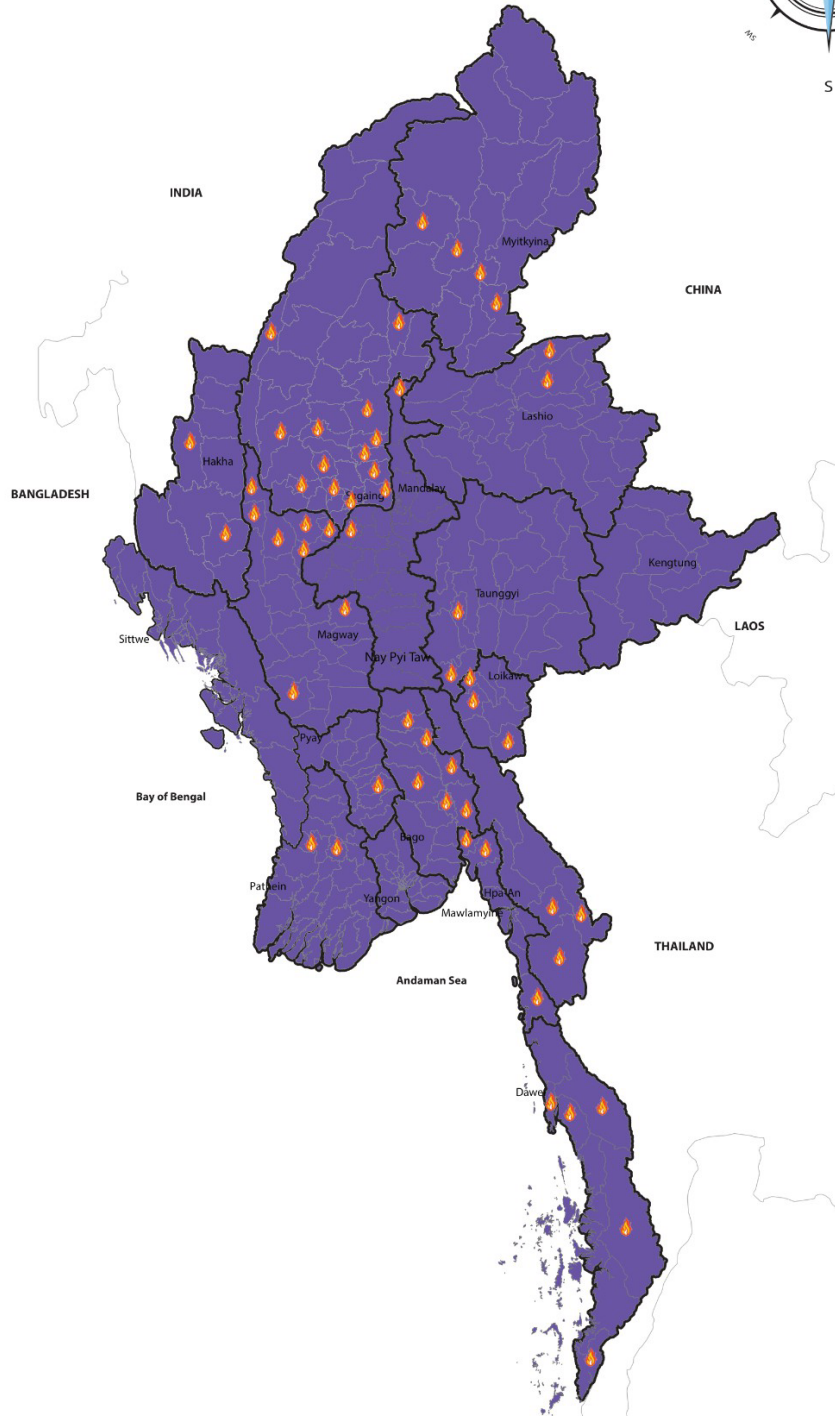
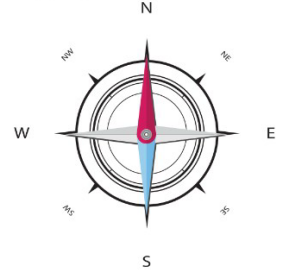

Week: August 22 to August 31, 2023

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Map of Myanmar Conflict (August 22-31, 2023)



Brief Overview

Ayeyarwady

- 11 Civilians arrested

Bago

- 4 Clashes between SAC and PDF/EAOs
- 33 SAC soldiers killed
- 2 PDF soldiers killed
- 2 Children killed
- 10 Civilians arrested

Chin

- 2 Clashes between SAC and PDF/EAOs
- 32 SAC soldiers killed
- 13 PDF soldiers killed
- 1 Civilians killed
- 6 Civilians arrested

Kachin

- 1 Clash between SAC and PDF/EAOs
- 5 SAC soldiers killed
- 1 Civilians killed
- 59 Civilians arrested

Kayah (Karenni)

- 2 Clashes between SAC and PDF/EAOs
- 2 SAC soldiers killed
- 1 Civilians killed
- 54 Houses burned down

Kayin

- 5 Clashes between SAC and PDF/EAOs
- 27 SAC soldiers killed

Magway

- 7 Clashes between SAC and PDF/EAOs
- 38 SAC soldiers killed
- 1 PDF soldiers killed
- 2 Civilians killed
- 1 Villages set on fire
- 81 Houses burned down

Mandalay

- 2 Clashes between SAC and PDF/EAOs
- 6 SAC soldiers killed

Mon

- 3 Clashes between SAC and PDF/EAOs
- 26 SAC soldiers killed

Sagaing

- 12 Clashes between SAC and PDF/EAOs
- 78 SAC soldiers killed

- 2 PDF soldiers killed
- 12 Civilians killed
- 3 Villages set on fire
- 42 Houses burned down

Shan (North)

- 5 Clashes between SAC and PDF/EAOs
- 1 Civilians killed

Shan (South)

- 1 Civilians killed
- 2 Civilians arrested

Tanintharyi

- 5 Clashes between SAC and PDF/EAOs
- 37 SAC soldiers killed

Total:

- 48 Clashes between SAC and PDF/EAOs
- 284 SAC soldiers killed
- 18 PDF soldiers killed
- 2 Children killed
- 29 Civilians killed
- 78 Civilians arrested
- 4 Villages set on fire
- 177 Houses burned down

August 22, 2023

Strikes

Locals boycott the SAC's 2023 elections and also the copper mine killing spree in Yinmarbin-Salingyi township and Yinmarbin township.

Locals boycotted the military government's decision to cut public funding in Launglon township, Tanintharyi region.

Locals boycott the SAC's 2023 elections in Myaing township, Magway region.

Election Updates

Nothing to report.

Military Clashes

One SAC soldier was killed and another injured in a clash with PDFs near Myo Ma market, Yenangyaung township, Magway region.

One SAC police officer was killed in a clash with PDFs at the SAC camp in Yay Pyar village, Pauk township, Magway region.

Two SAC soldiers were killed in a clash with PDFs in Pauk Ma (north) village, Sagaing township, Sagaing region.

There was a clash between PDF and SAC forces at Ngwe Taung Ywar Thit village, Demoso township, Kayah (Karenni) State.

Human Rights Violations

Two locals were killed when SAC troops fired heavy weapons at Nyut Kwin town in Phyu township, Bago region causing more than 3,000 innocent civilians to flee.

12 Houses were burned down and another 100 civilians were arrested when military troops arrested and tortured villagers in Myaing township, Magway region.

A woman was killed by heavy weapons fired by SAC forces in Mu Mandalay village, Myinmu township, Sagaing region.

One civilian was killed and another 40 houses were burned down by SAC forces in Shwe Lin Sweal village, Myaing township, Magway region.

Political and International Events

The military council plans to launch its own satellite with the help of Russia.

The military junta has no plan to hold peace talks with the opposition party, according to the junta's spokesperson General Zaw Min Tun at the regime's 22nd press conference held in Nay Pyi Taw.

August 23, 2023

Strikes

Locals boycott the SAC's 2023 elections in Yinmarbin township, the east side of Yinmarbin, and Salingyi township in Sagaing.

Locals boycott the SAC elections and protest the copper mine killing spree in Yinmarbin-Salingyi township, Sagaing region.

Election Updates

Nothing to report.

Military Clashes

One SAC soldier, two SAC militia members, and one SAC police officer was killed by a drone attack organized by PDFs on Pakokku-Kamma road in Pakokku township, Magway region.

More than 10 SAC soldiers were killed in a clash with PDFs at the SAC camp in Ngwar Chan Kone village, Kani township, Sagaing region.

Five SAC soldiers were killed and another five injured by a mine attack organized by PDFs near Kyauk Kan village, Myingyan township, Mandalay region.

Three SAC soldiers, including a sergeant, were killed and weapons and ammunition were seized in an attack on KPS (23) in Kyawl town, Gangaw township, Magway region.

Two SAC soldiers were killed and another two injured when troops lying in an ambush were bombed at the SAC's camp in Thein Zayat town, Kyaikto township, Mon State.

Seven SAC soldiers were killed in a clash with PDFs near Chi Par village, Shwebo township, Sagaing region.

Human Rights Violations

One civilian was killed when the SAC military killed a man with seven shots, who was broadcasting manure in Konesone village in Pekon township, Southern Shan State.

One house was burned down by SAC forces in Ta Nee Lar Lal village, Demoso township, Kayah (Karenni) State.

One civilian was killed and another two were injured by SAC forces in Wor Lay and Taung Kyar Inn villages in Kawkareik township, Kayin State.

Two civilians were killed and one injured when SAC forces fired mortar bombs at Tha Htay Kone and Pal New Kone villages, Kyauktaga township, Bago region.

One civilian was injured when SAC forces fired mortar bombs at Nant Yar village, Hpakon township, Kachin State.

Eight young people were arrested for allegedly being linked to PDFs in Mogaung township, Kachin State.

Political and International Events

General Zaw Min Tun Say, on behalf of the military council, said that three armed groups had deviated from the NCA agreement by fighting against the army.

The military council admitted that it was harmed by US sanctions according to the Deputy Minister of Planning and Finance U Maung Maung Win.

The military council said that no foreign aid could be used to conduct the national census.

The Timorese president and the NUG Human Rights Minister held a meeting.

August 24, 2023

Strikes

Locals boycott the SAC's 2023 elections in the following places: Salingyi township, Yinmarbin township, and Yinmarbin-Salingyi township in Sagaing; Myaing township, Magway region.

Election Updates

Nothing to report.

Military Clashes

Two SAC police officers were killed and another injured by a mine attack organized by PDFs in Nattalin township, Bago region.

Two SAC soldiers were killed and another two injured in a clash with PDFs at the SAC camp in the industrial zone ward in Monywa township, Sagaing region.

There was a clash between PDF and SAC forces in Mindon township, Magway region.

Human Rights Violations

More than ten thousand local residents fled when the SAC military burned down Htan Gyi village, Sagaing township, Sagaing region.

Three children were injured when SAC forces deployed drones that fired on the east side of Hpruso township, Kayah (Karenni) State.

Political and International Events

The rotating chairman of the Security Council said for the group to focus on the deterioration of Myanmar's human rights.

The UN condemns the military council for killing civilians through the United Nations Security Council Joint Statement.

The United States takes further action against the company and company owner that is responsible for buying Aeroplane fuel for the military.

August 25, 2023

Strikes

Locals boycott the SAC's 2023 elections in Yinmarbin township, Sagaing region and Launglon township, Tanintharyi region.

Election Updates

Nothing to report.

Military Clashes

23 SAC soldiers were killed during a two day battle in Mindon township, Magway region.

Four SAC soldiers were killed in a clash with PDFs near Gyo Pin Sate village, Taungoo township, Bago region.

Two SAC soldiers were killed in a clash with PDFs near Thai-Myanmar border, Mase township, Kayah (Karenni) State.

Six SAC Pyu Saw Htee militia members were attacked and killed in Yesagyo township, Magway region. In the process, five guns were seized by PDFs.

Seven SAC soldiers were killed in a clash with PDFs at the SAC camp along the Yangon-Mawlamyine High Way Road, Bilin township, Mon State.

Five SAC soldiers were killed in a clash with PDFs near Mali One village, Kawthoung township, Tanintharyi region.

Three SAC soldiers were killed and another two injured in a clash with PDFs between Aung Tharyar and Kyauk Tai villages, Ye-U township, Sagaing region.

One SAC militia member was arrested in a clash with PDFs in Phat Than Kone village, Shwebo township, Sagaing region.

Three SAC police officers were killed when PDFs attacked the Hpapun city police station in Hpapun township, Kayin State.

Human Rights Violations

125 Houses were burned down by SAC forces in Kyawai Oo village, Salin township, Magway region.

One civilian was killed and two PDF soldiers were injured when SAC fighter jets dropped bombs six times on Thae Taw Mu Thae Taw Khwar village, Kyaukkyi township, Bago region.

One civilian was arrested and a bomb was set off in Kyonpyaw township, Ayeyarwaddy region.

About 30 people, including a Christian minister and two children, were arrested by SAC forces from Nant Yar village, Hpakan township, Kachin State.

Political and International Events

The Military Council talked about PDF activities at the ASEAN Ministerial meeting on combating transnational crime in Lar Bon Jar township, Indonesia.

The Military Council issued a statement saying that the statement of the 13 member countries of the UN Security Council on Myanmar is biased.

The Kachin Military Council discussed the border issue between two countries with the Chinese delegation in Myitkyina township, Kachin State.

August 26, 2023

Strikes

Locals boycott the SAC's elections in Yinmarbin township, Salingyi township, and Yinmarbin-Salingyi township in Sagaing.

Election Updates

Nothing to report.

Military Clashes

Two SAC soldiers were killed and another two injured in a mine attack organized by PDFs in Thein Zayet town, Kyaikto township, Mon State.

Five SAC soldiers were killed in a drone attack organized by PDFs at the SAC's camp in the General Administration Department in Budalin township, Sagaing region.

There was a clash between the TNLA's forces and SAC forces near Lon Swe village, Kutkai township, northern Shan State.

Human Rights Violations

Eight houses were burned down by SAC forces in Htee Paw So village, Hpruso township, Kayah (Karenni) State.

One civilian was killed and 80 houses were burned down in Kai Ma Gyi village, Yesagyo township, Magway region.

Political and International Events

UN Secretary General appeals to find a collective solution to the Myanmar problem during a press conference in the New York UN Headquarters.

Tom Andrews urged people not to ignore the Rohingya issue at the commemoration of the 6th anniversary of the Rohingya genocide and displacement to Bangladesh.

The Military Council ordered all Timorese diplomatic staff in Myanmar to leave by September 1st.

August 27, 2023

Strikes

Locals boycott the SAC's 2023 elections in the following places: Khin-U Township, Yinmarbin-Salingyi township, Yinmarbin township, and Salingyi township in Sagaing.

Election Updates

Nothing to report.

Military Clashes

10 SAC soldiers were killed by a drone attack organized by PDFs on the SAC camp in Htee Saung in Myinmu township, Sagaing region.

Five SAC soldiers were killed in a drone attack organized by PDFs at the SAC camp in Kot Nwal village, Kawkareik township, Kayin State.

25 SAC soldiers were killed and another five injured in a clash with PDFs between Ka Myine and Ya Nge villages, Thayetchaung township, Tanintharyi region.

Human Rights Violations

One home, two barns and a car were burned down when more than 5,000 local residents fled a raid from SAC forces in Lon Haw village, Gangaw township, Magway region.

Four civilians were killed by SAC forces in northern Kyee Kan village, Wetlet township, Sagaing region.

Political and International Events

The Military Council confirmed the severing of diplomatic relations with Timor, according to General Zaw Min Tun.

The Military Council Minister of Economy and Commerce U Aung Naing Oo Say said that the border economic zone will be continued in cooperation with China,

August 28, 2023

Strikes

Locals boycotted the SAC elections in the following places: Yinmarbin-Salingyi township, the north side of Yinmarbin, Salingyi township, Yinmarbin township, and Ayadaw township in Sagaing; Launglon township, Tanintharyi region.

Locals also boycotted the military government's decision to cut public funding in Launglon township, Tanintharyi region.

Election Updates

Nothing to report.

Military Clashes

At least 10 SAC soldiers were killed when five military vehicles on the Yangon-Mawlamyine Highway were attacked in Kyaikto township, Mon State.

Five SAC soldiers were killed when military patrols were hit four times by mine attacks in the west side of Ye-U township, Sagaing region.

Four SAC soldiers were killed by a drone attack organized by PDFs on SAC forces in Kyaukkyi township, Bago region.

PDFs attacked Hlataw police station in Wetlet Township, Sagaing region.

One SAC police officer was killed in an attack on Twin Nge village checkpoint, Thabeikkyin township, Mandalay region.

Seven SAC soldiers were killed in a clash with PDFs at the SAC camp in Ka Mine Kone water pool, Kawkareik township, Kayin State.

17 SAC soldiers were killed in a drone attack on PDF forces in Nyaung Pin Wun police station, Sagaing township, Sagaing region.

Two SAC soldiers were killed and seven injured in a clash with PDFs in Mindat township, Chin State.

11 Members of the Chin Armed Group lost their lives in an intense airstrike and constant shelling of howitzers by junta regime's forces today in Thantlang township, Chin State.

Human Rights Violations

One civilian was killed and another two injured due to heavy weapon firing by the 50th Infantry Battalion under the SAC based in Gangaw township, Magway region.

Three civilians were killed when SAC forces fired mortar bombs at Kan village, Mingin township, Sagaing region.

50 Houses were burned down by SAC forces in Daw Nyay Khu and Htee Thaw Khu villages in Htee Paw So, Hpruso township, Kayah (Karenni) State.

Political and International Events

Nothing to report.

August 29, 2023

Strikes

Locals boycott the SAC's 2023 elections in Khin-U township and Yinmarbin township in Sagaing.

Election Updates

Nothing to report.

Military Clashes

Seven SAC soldiers were killed and another eight injured in a clash with PDFs near Than Ka Dike village, Ye township, Mon State.

Eight SAC soldiers and one ABSDF's member were killed in a clash between the two forces in Maw Take area, Indaw township, Sagaing region.

30 SAC soldiers and 13 CDF soldiers were killed in a clash between the two forces in Thantlang township, Chin State.

At least eight SAC militia members were killed when PDFs attacked Pyu Saw Htee village in Mingin township, Sagaing region.

At least three SAC soldiers were killed in a mine attack organized by PDFs near Kone Gyi village, Ye-U township, Sagaing region.

Two SAC soldiers and one PDF soldier were killed in a clash between the two forces at the SAC camp in Thayet Kan village, Myaing township, Magway region.

There was a clash between TNLA forces and SAC forces near Kho Mone village, Muse township, northern Shan State.

There was a clash between PDF and SAC forces at the SAC camp between Zin Htin and Boke Kan village, Tamu township, Sagaing region.

Human Rights Violations

One child was killed and another four civilians were injured when SAC forces fired mortar bombs at Tadar Pai ward in Nyaunglebin township, Bago region.

Political and International Events

Australia made a statement that it will not provide direct financial support to the military council.

August 30, 2023

Strikes

Locals boycott the SAC's 2023 elections in the following places: Yinmarbin township, Yinmarbin-Salingyi township, Salingyi township, and the northside of Yinmarbin in Sagaing.

Election Updates

Nothing to report.

Military Clashes

One SAC soldier and one SAC police officer were killed by a PDF sniper located on the western gate of Myaing township, Magway region.

Two SAC soldiers were killed when a grenade was thrown at the entry checkpoint of Nat Mauk town, Magway region.

Four SAC soldiers were killed and another six injured when a SAC column that had stolen public goods in Kyarkhe was attacked by a landmine in Tilin township, Magway region.

Seven SAC soldiers were killed when soldiers smuggled timbers were attacked at the SAC camp in Sithu Wood field, Yinmarbin township, Sagaing region. One of the soldier's guns was seized.

There was a clash between PDF and SAC forces in Muse and Kutkai townships, northern Shan State.

Five SAC soldiers were killed by a mine attack organized by PDFs along Pakokku-Yesagyo road, Pakokku township, Magway region.

Five SAC soldiers were killed and another 10 injured in a clash with KIA forces near Nant Tain village, Hpakan township, Kachin State.

There was a clash between PDF and SAC forces near Got Ainn village, Launglon township, Tanintharyi region.

Seven SAC soldiers were killed in a clash with PDFs near Ainn Phyar village, Yinmarbin township, Sagaing region.

Human Rights Violations

Two civilians were killed and four injured when SAC forces fired mortar bombs in Wat Chal, Ye Twin Kone and Kyaung Kone villages in Shwegyin and Kyaukkyi townships, Nyaunglebin district, Bago region.

One civilian was killed and another three injured when SAC forces fired mortar bombs at Ho Pon Susi village, Kutkai township, northern Shan State.

Two civilians were killed by SAC forces in Hla Taw village, Wetlet township, Sagaing region.

17 Houses were burned down by SAC forces in Than Payar Pin Yoe village, Yinmarbin township, Sagaing region.

Political and International Events

Major Nai Naing Tun, who wrote and sang military propaganda songs for the Military Council was arrested for refusing to fight.

Five armistice groups and the Military Council met to discuss the 2008 Constitutional Amendment in Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar.

August 31, 2023

Strikes

Locals boycott the SAC's 2023 elections in the following places: Yinmarbin township, Yinmarbin-Salingyi township, and the northside of Yinmarbin in Sagaing; Launglon township, Tanintharyi region.

Locals also boycotted the military's revenue cut to public funding in Launglon township, Tanintharyi region.

Election Updates

Nothing to report.

Military Clashes

Three SAC soldiers were killed and another four injured in a clash with PDFs near Yebyu bridge, Yebyu township, Tanintharyi region.

One SAC soldier was killed when he was returning to his village on medical leave to Thit Yone village, Myingyan township, Mandalay region.

Two SAC soldiers were killed when a general was shot and killed in Okpho township, Bago region.

Human Rights Violations

One civilian was killed and another two injured when SAC fighter jets fired at a village and refugee camp in Demoso township, Kayah (Karenni) State.

Two children and two civilians were arrested by SAC forces in InnLay Area in Nyaungshwe township, southern Shan State.

11 Civilians were arrested by SAC forces from Ashae Alal Kone Ward, Myintkyina township, Kachin State.

One civilian was killed and another 10 civilians arrested by SAC forces in Ka Htan Yan village, Momauk township, Kachin State.

Political and International Events

The new person in charge of the Swedish Embassy in Myanmar arrived in the country.

Sources: Than Lwin Times, PVTV, Mizzima, Khit Thit Media, Chindwin News Agency, Myanmar Pressphoto Agency, The Irrawaddy, RFA, D Day News, Myanmar Now, BBC, VOA, Ayeyarwaddy Times, DVB