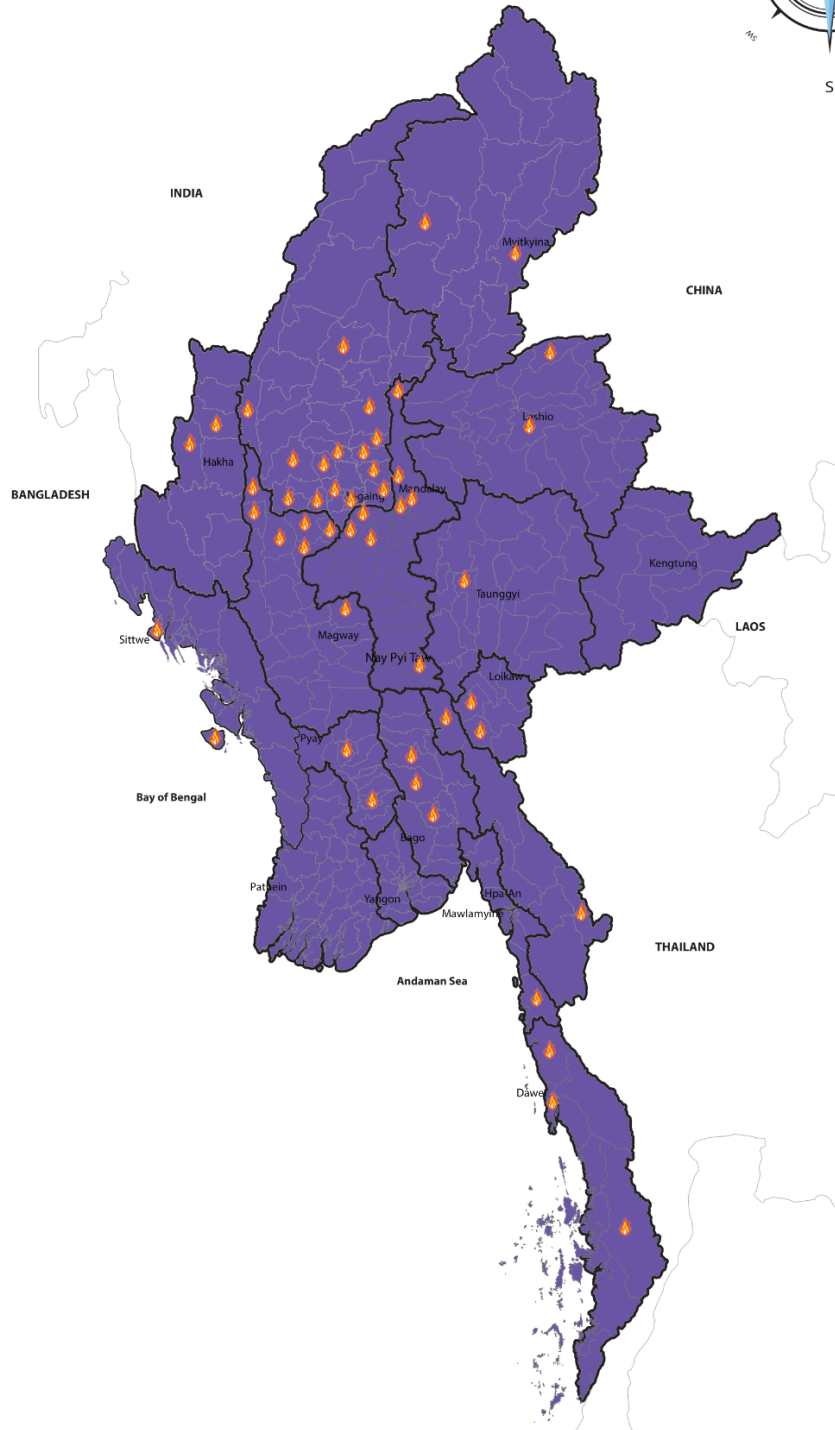
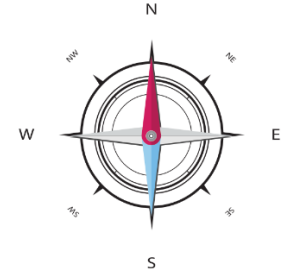

Week: August 8 to August 14, 2023

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Map of Myanmar Conflict (August 8-14, 2023)



Brief Overview

Bago

- 4 Clashes between SAC and PDF/EAOs
- 36 SAC soldiers killed
- 1 PDF soldier killed
- 10 Civilians killed
- 1 Civilian arrested
- 1 Village set on fire
- 24 Houses burned down

Chin

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

Kachin

- 1 Clash between SAC and PDF/EAOs
- 1 Civilian arrested

Kayah (Karenni)

- 4 Clashes between SAC and PDF/EAOs
- 25 SAC soldiers killed

Kayin

- 8 Clashes between SAC and PDF/EAOs
- 17 SAC soldiers killed
- 1 PDF soldier killed

Magway

- 9 Clashes between SAC and PDF/EAOs
- 36 SAC soldiers killed
- 12 Civilians killed

Mandalay

- 9 Clashes between SAC and PDF/EAOs
- 31 SAC soldiers killed
- 2 PDF soldiers killed
- 5 Civilians arrested

Mon

- 1 Clash between SAC and PDF/EAOs

Rakhine

- 1 Clash between SAC and PDF/EAOs

Sagaing

- 23 Clashes between SAC and PDF/EAOs
- 51 SAC soldiers killed
- 2 PDF soldiers killed
- 3 Children killed
- 30 Civilians killed
- 33 Civilians arrested
- 5 Villages set on fire

- 51 Houses burned down
- Shan (North)
- 3 Clashes between SAC and PDF/EAOs
 - 1 Civilians killed
 - 3 Civilians arrested
- Shan (South)
- 5 Civilians arrested
- Tanintharyi
- 40 Civilians arrested
 - 1 Village set on fire
 - 40 Houses burned down

Total:

- 66 Clashes between SAC and PDF/EAOs
- 206 SAC soldiers killed
- 8 PDF soldiers killed
- 3 Children killed
- 53 Civilians killed
- 88 Civilians arrested
- 7 Villages set on fire
- 115 Houses burned down

August 8, 2023

Strikes

At the center of Yangon, a Red Umbrella Movement is held for the “8888 Revolution”.

Locals protest the SAC’s 2023 elections and the military council’s decision to cut public funding in Latpataung hill, Sagaing region.

Locals boycotted the SAC’s 2023 elections in the following places: Pakokku township, Magway region; Launglon township, Tanintharyi region; Myaing township, Magway region.

Locals protest for a complete stop to cooperation with the Wang Pao/Yang Si Military council in Salingyi township, Sagaing region.

Election Updates

Nothing to report.

Military Clashes

At least 15 SAC soldiers were killed when PDFs abumshed a military column that was known for causing destruction in villages in Pale township, Sagaing region.

Four SAC soldiers were killed in a clash with PDF forces near Kyet Ma Nat village, Nattalin township, Bago region.

About 80 soldiers were killed in the battle of Ka Tine mountain in Hpakan township, Kachin State. Not only were almost all of the soldiers in the SAC camp killed, but the commander and his family were also captured.

Human Rights Violations

Six civilians were brutally killed when they were on strike and forced to wear PDF uniforms in Thabeikkyin township, Mandalay region.

Eight houses were burned down when SAC forces set fires in Thandaung town, Thandaunggyi township, Kayin State.

Political and International Events

The military leader announced that he would stay a member of ASEAN.

The military leader warned that any disruptions would delay the election process.

The Indonesian president said that the political will of all groups from the different sides of the conflict would have to come together to solve the Myanmar issue.

United States and United Kingdom embassies announced that they stand with the Burmese people on “8888” commemoration day.

11 Countries attended the military training meeting of ASEAN countries hosted by the Military Council.

More than 90 revolutionary forces groups came together to form the Upper Region Strategic Supervision Group.

The Karenni State Interim Administrative Council started forming seven different departments within the organization.

August 9, 2023

Strikes

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

Election Updates

Nothing to report.

Military Clashes

Two SAC soldiers were killed in a clash with PDFs near Aung Moe crossroad in Yesagyo township, Magway region.

Three SAC militiamen were killed when PDFs shot a Pyu Saw Htee group that was collecting fees in Asin village, Ye township, Mon State.

Four SAC soldiers were killed in a clash with PDFs in Mae Khaung village, Aunglan township, Magway region.

Five SAC soldiers were killed in a clash with PDFs outside of Kyar Inn village in Phyu township, Bago region.

There was a clash between PDFs and SAC forces at Nyaung Pin Gyi crossroad in Launglon township, Tanintharyi region.

Four SAC soldiers were killed in a clash with PDFs in Natogyi township, Mandalay region.

Human Rights Violations

Two young men who were eloping with a woman were arrested and killed by SAC troops on the accusation that they were conducting PDF activities in the Ta Kaung Area, Thabeikkyin township, Mandalay region.

Three civilians were arrested by SAC forces along Pyi Thaug Su road near Kan Thayar in Monywa township, Sagaing region.

Seven civilians were killed by SAC forces outside of Kyar Inn village in Phyu township, Bago region.

Two houses were burned down by SAC forces in Ywar Than village, Khin-U township, Sagaing region.

Political and International Events

The NLD expels U Henry Van Thieu, who was collaborating with the Military Council.

A military leader said at a cabinet meeting that they could not pay for electricity because the river had stopped flowing.

UN human rights representative, Thomas Andrews, raised concerns over South Korea's invitation to the military council to attend the weapons exhibition.

August 10, 2023

Strikes

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

Election Updates

Nothing to report.

Military Clashes

One SAC soldier was killed and another three injured in a clash with PDFs at the SAC gate located at the entrance of the city in Tabayin township, Sagaing region.

Two SAC soldiers were killed in a mine attack organized by PDFs in Inn Pat village, Khin-U township, Sagaing region.

Three SAC soldiers were injured by a mortar bomb fired by PDFs at two of the SAC's gates in Myaing township, Magway region.

One SAC soldier was killed by a drone attack organized by PDFs on Pyu Saw Htee village, behind Ye Lal Thaug in Ngazun township, Mandalay region.

More than 30 SAC soldiers were killed in a clash with PDFs near Thamin Inn Kone village, Kyauktaga township, Bago region.

One SAC soldier was sniped by PDF fighters while traveling up the Chindwin river with a fleet of warships in Monywa township, Sagaing region.

Nine SAC soldiers were killed and another 12 injured when PDFs fired at a SAC military truck in Loikaw township, Kayah (Karenni) State.

18 SAC soldiers were killed and another seven injured by a mine attack organized by PDFs near Phat Ye Taw village, Natmauk township, Magway region.

Human Rights Violations

Nine houses were burned down and one civilian was killed by SAC forces in Ta Nel village, Pale township, Sagaing region.

One civilian was killed and another injured by SAC forces in Taung Phi Lar ward, Kale township, Sagaing region.

26 Civilians were arrested by SAC forces from Yebyu township, Tanintharyi region.

Three civilians were arrested by SAC forces from Aungmyaythazan township, Mandalay region.

Political and International Events

The Karen National Association will work on forming a federal unit, as reported in a press conference for the KNU: "First 100 Days: KNU in New Era".

KIO said that they will fight together with the people's revolution until the dictatorship collapses, in Kachin Martyr's Day Ceremony Speech.

KNU says that there is no need to follow the NCA ceasefire agreement.

South Korea said that the embargo on arms sales to Myanmar is still in place as usual.

August 11, 2023

Strikes

Locals held boycotts of the SAC's 2023 elections in the following places: Yinmarbin-Salingyi township, Latpataung hill, and Yinmarbin township in the Sagaing region; Launglon township, Tanintharyi region; Myaing township, Magway region.

In Latpataung Hill, Sagaing region and Launglon township, Tanintharyi region there were also protests against the SAC for cutting public funding.

Election Updates

Nothing to report.

Military Clashes

There was a clash between TNLA forces and SAC forces near Nant Laung village, Lashio township, and northern Shan State.

Four SAC soldiers were killed when the Nyaungpintha police station was attacked by PDF forces in Phyu township, Bago region.

There was a clash between the PDFs and SAC forces between Intine Kone and Sat Kant village, Kale township, Sagaing region.

There was a clash between KIA and SAC forces near Sal Zin village, Hpakan township, Kachin State.

Human Rights Violations

SAC military weapons destroyed Sat Kant village church located in Kale township, Sagaing region.

Four prisoners were taken outside of the city by military troops and killed in Tilin township, Magway region.

Four civilians were killed by SAC forces in Shone Ye village, Gangaw township, Magway region.

One child and two civilians were killed when SAC fighter jets fired at Kan Oo Monastery in Ta Line village, Sagaing township, Sagaing region.

More than 30 civilians were arrested by SAC forces from Kan Oo Monastery in Ta Line village, Sagaing township, Sagaing region.

Political and International Events

The military council appointed a new chief military training officer.

August 12, 2023

Strikes

Locals boycott the SAC's 2023 elections in the following places: Yinmarbin township, Salingyi township, Taze township and the northside of Yinmarbin in the Sagaing region; Hpakan township, Kachin State.

Election Updates

Military Council UEC accepted Khumi National Party's application to be an official political party.

Military Clashes

12 SAC soldiers were killed when a three day battle broke out with PDFs in the Mandalay region.

Three SAC soldiers were killed by a mine while driving near Shwebo city gate in Shwebo township, Sagaing region.

There was a clash between PDFs and SAC forces somewhere along the Chindwin river in Salingyi township, Sagaing region.

25 SAC soldiers and three PDF soldiers were killed in a clash between the two forces between Yinmarbin and Kani townships, Yinmarbin township, Sagaing region.

More than 10 SAC soldiers and one PDF soldier were killed in a clash between both forces in Falam township, Chin State.

10 SAC soldiers were killed in a clash with PDFs in Kani township, Sagaing region.

Two SAC soldiers were killed in a clash with PDFs in Myoe Hla Village, Kale township, Sagaing region.

Human Rights Violations

Seven civilians were injured when SAC fighter jets fired at Yan Hta Lo village, Falam township, Chin State.

24 Houses were burned down by SAC forces in Out Kyar Inn village, Phyu township, Bago region.

SAC fighter jets fired at Tha Min Inn Kone village, Kyauktaga township, Bago region.

Two civilians were killed and three injured when SAC forces fired mortar bombs at Myin Thar village, Gangaw township, Magway region.

SAC forces burned down Sat Kant village in Kale township, Sagaing region.

Political and International Events

Nothing to report.

August 13, 2023

Strikes

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

Election Updates

Nothing to report.

Military Clashes

Not less than 20 SAC soldiers were killed in a clash with PDFs in Hpasawng township, Kayah (Karenni) State.

Three SAC soldiers were shot and killed by PDFs when patrolling Myaing city in Myaing township, Magway region.

14 SAC soldiers, including a Military Council major, were killed by PDFs in an attack on an army camp in a mountainous area in Pyinmana township near Nay Pyi Taw, Mandalay region.

Military Council convoys were attacked three times on Loikko road in Thandaunggyi township, Kayin State.

There was a clash between PDFs and SAC forces in Ngar Pet Chaung village, Wetlet township, Sagaing region.

One PDF soldier, two children and four civilians were killed in a clash with SAC forces in Ya Ma Nay village, Kanbalu township, Sagaing region.

There was a clash between TNLA and SAC forces in Lashio township, northern Shan State.

Human Rights Violations

Two civilians were killed when a military column shot and burned a mother and son who went to a clinic in Kalay township, Sagaing region.

14 Civilians were arrested by SAC forces from Maw Tone township, Tanintharyi township, Tanintharyi region.

40 Houses were burned down when SAC forces set fires in Ngar Pet Chaung Village in Wetlet township, Sagaing region.

Four civilians were arrested by SAC forces from Aung Nan Yeik Thar Ward, Chanmyathazi township, Mandalay region.

One civilian was arrested by SAC forces from Waingmaw township, Kachin State.

More than 40 houses were burned down when SAC forces set fires to Ta Khut Ta Nel Village in Budalin township, Sagaing region.

Political and International Events

The Chairman of the Committee of Members in the Indonesian Parliament stated that the ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly (AIPA) delegation is preparing to go to Myanmar.

Notorious Lt. Col. Myo Min Tun was dismissed as a member of the Myeik District Council.

August 14, 2023

Strikes

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

Locals also protest the Military Council's decision to cut public funding in Kyangin township, Ayeyarwaddy region and Launglon township, Tanintharyi region.

Election Updates

Nothing to report.

Military Clashes

There was a PDF joint force attack on the military troops stationed in Wa Lone Pyon village in Madaya township, Mandalay region.

Five SAC soldiers were killed when PDFs attacked SAC troops that were marching from village to village in Ngazun township, Mandalay region.

Six SAC soldiers were killed when a military convoy was hit by a mine in Thabeikkyin township, Mandalay region.

There was a clash between PDF and SAC forces in Minhla township, Bago region.

The joint forces of Chinland Defense Force, Zophei and Chin National Army, arrested two junta soldiers that were captured during a morning clash at the junta army base camp near the entry point of Thantlang town in Hakha, Chin State.

10 SAC soldiers were killed in a clash with PDFs between Intine Kone and Sat Kant village, Kale township, Sagaing region.

Five SAC soldiers were killed in a clash with PDFs along the Chindwin river, Kani township, Sagaing region.

Two SAC soldiers were killed in a clash with PDFs between Indaw and Katha township, Indaw township, Sagaing region.

Five SAC soldiers were killed in a clash with PDFs near Htee Taw Ku village, Hpruso township, Kayah (Karenni) State.

17 SAC soldiers were killed and another 34 were injured. One PDF soldier was killed and another eight injured in a clash between the two forces at Lat Khet mountain camp in Myawaddy township, Kayin State.

Human Rights Violations

One civilian was killed and three civilians were arrested by SAC military forces in Muse township, Northern Shan State.

Three civilians were injured when SAC fighter jets fired at Pauk Kan village, Wetlet township, Sagaing region.

Three civilians were killed by SAC forces between Intine Kone and Sat Kant village, Kale township, Sagaing region.

One civilian was killed by SAC forces in Yesagyo township, Magway region.

Five civilians were killed when a family of a midwife was killed and robbed of two hundred thousand kyats and gold in Kanbalu township, Sagaing region.

Two civilians were killed when SAC forces fired mortar bombs at Kyar Pai village, Monywa township, Sagaing region.

Political and International Events

According to a Laos newspaper article, the Ministry of Interior of Laos stated its commitment to increased cooperation with the Military Council of Myanmar.

Four battalions of the Myanmar Royal Dragon Army, equipped with 100 weapons by the Ministry of Defense in the Ma Pin district, were dismissed by the Ministry of Defense in Pale township, Sagaing region.

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