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To : General Secretary Myanmar Council of Churches

Letter of solidarity amidst the current situation in Myanmar

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

Greetings of peace.

On behalf of the Communion of Churches in Indonesia we express our deepest concern and sympathy to you, the people and the churches in Myanmar, in your struggle to maintain democracy in your country. We are watching closely and witnessing sadly the military's violent actions against civilians who are fighting for the dignity of the people and democracy in Myanmar.

The churches in Indonesia stand with you in this difficult time. As part of the body of Christ, your pain and sorrow are ours. We strongly support you in your effort to maintain a legitimate and sustainable democracy, as expressed by Myanmar people during last election in 2011. We share your stand point that the use of violence brought no result. Therefore, we strongly condemn any action taken by the military to disgrace the will of the people of Myanmar and forcibly crackdown the democratically elected civilian government.

Our beloved brothers and sisters, we keep praying and asking for God's protection over the people of Myanmar in this challenging time. We truly believe that God is the ultimate source of truth. At this moment of turmoil and calamity, we pray that God grant you strength and perseverance to keep walking with courage and faith together with the people of Myanmar. Let there be no bloodshed; no violence anymore against the lovely people of Myanmar. May peace, justice and reconciliation prevail in the golden land of Myanmar.

Through Christ Jesus our love is with you all. May the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in such a time as this.

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