

PRESS RELEASE

H.E. U Kyaw Tin, Union Minister for International Cooperation of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar attending the 73<sup>rd</sup> United Nations General Assembly, signed Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons on behalf of the Government of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar at the High-Level ceremony on the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapon on 26 September 2018 during the United Nations Treaty Event 2018.

The High-Level ceremony was held in conjunction with International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons. Together with the Union Minister, high ranking officials from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Permanent Mission of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar to the United Nations were also present at the event.

The ceremony was also attended by the President of the 73<sup>rd</sup> United Nations General Assembly H.E. Ms. Maria Fernanda Espinosa Garces, Chairman of the International Committee of the Red Cross Mr. Peter Maurer, Under Secretary and High Representative for Disarmament Ms. Izumi Nakamitsu, Executive Director of International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapon (ICAN) Ms. Beatrice Fihn, Under Secretary General of United Nations Office of Legal Affairs Miguel de Serpa Soares and Chief of Treaty Section Mr. Santiago Villalpando.

Myanmar has now become the 61<sup>st</sup> signatory to the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons. Together with Myanmar, Antigua and Barbuda, Benin, Brunei Darussalam, Guinea-Bissau, Seychelles and Timor-Leste also signed the Treaty at the event.

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