



TWTF Last Alliance Action Alert: Situation in Burma

You are probably already aware of the outcome of peaceful protests, led by monks, in Burma (Myanmar) over the last few days. We're sending out this bulletin because of the urgent nature of humanitarian situation where peaceful protesters, many of them monks, have been beaten, killed or detained. With many of the monks now missing, the junta seems to have quelled the protests and the hope of the people in Burma is beginning to wane. It rests with us, the international community, to speak up for these peaceful people. We would like you to know that there are ways that you can help and make your voice heard for the people of Burma.

- **October 4th is International Bloggers Day for Burma.** You can participate in this campaign if you have a blog, website or run an online community of any kind by pasting the "Free Burma Petition Widget" on your site or blog (more info: <http://www2.free-burma.org/news.php#widget>).

We're asking all webmasters or forum admins to please post a banner as a sign of international solidarity. **We have 3 banners available for Tolkien communities and sites here:** <http://www.whitetreefund.org/burma.htm#banners>, or you can find banners here: <http://www2.free-burma.org/graphics.php>.

- **Send an email to your government** official requesting that action be taken in Burma. It's free and it takes only one minute to fill it out and send. Incredible good can come of this simple action.
 - [In Canada - email goes to the Honourable Maxime Bernier, Minister of Foreign Affairs in Ottawa](#)
 - [In the USA - email addressed to President George Bush](#)
 - [In the UK - email goes to Nyan Win, Foreign Minister](#)
- **Saturday, October 6th has been declared a Global Day of Action for Burma.** There are many activities, events and marches planned. See here for details: <http://studentsforburma.tiddlyspot.com/#Welcome> or here: http://www.avaaz.org/en/stand_with_burma/t.php or, if you have a Facebook account, there is an extensive group and listing of events around the world here: <http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=24957770200>.

There is a march and candlelight vigil planned in Toronto and we will be there. If you would like to join us or you need more information, [check out our thread in the forum](#). If you are participating in an event, please post it up at the forum so others can join you.

- **You can also sign this petition** to the Chinese president Mr. Hu Jintao to stand with the people of Burma and to stop vetoing international action at the UN Security Council. http://www.democracyinaction.org/dia/organizations/uscampaignforburma/petition.jsp?petition_K EY=730&t=HomePage.dwt

This quest may be attempted by the weak with as much hope as the strong. Yet such is oft the course of deeds that move the wheels of the world: small hands do them because they must, while the eyes of the great are elsewhere. – Gandalf, Fellowship of the Ring

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