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JULIE MORGAN CALLS FOR CONTINUED SUPPORT ON AUNG SAN SUU KYI'S BIRTHDAY

Julie Morgan the MP for Cardiff North is calling for people and world governments to renew their support for Aung San Suu Kyi the freely elected leader of Burma, on the occasion of her 64th birthday on 19th June.

Julie Morgan says,

“There will be no family, cake and cards for Aung San on her birthday. Since 1989 she has spent most of her life in detention in Burma, a detention imposed by the unelected military leaders of the country, imposed upon its legally elected leader. Aung’s crime? Being a believer in a free democracy.

Aung was elected leader of Burma in the countries’ 1990 general election, a result the military ignored and have acted brutally against anybody in the country who have fought to see that result be recognised.

During Aung’s time in detention she has won many international awards for her stance, culminating in 1991 with the Nobel Peace Prize, her stand has been mannered and brave, she has shown strength and dignity and given strength to those who support her worldwide.

It is important that we use occasions like this to keep pushing for her release, especially as at the moment the Burmese junta have used an incident of a supporter swimming to her lake side home as an excuse to imprison her and put her on trail on bogus charges, making sure she has no chance of any contact with the outside world at this time.

I call on everybody to keep writing, questioning and campaigning for both Aung’s and Burma’s freedom at every chance we get, constant pressure helped in South Africa and it can do the same here, we want a return to democracy for Burma and we want that to happen bloodlessly.

Let us all remember Aung on the 19th and let us all hope that she might celebrate her next birthday in freedom.”

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