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Statement of Karen Women Organization's 6th Congress

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The Karen Women Organization held its 6th congress from 1st to 8th February 2013. There were 138 Representatives of 7 districts of Karen state, refugee camps, invited organizations and special guests who participated at the meeting, which was held at Lay Wah, Karen State.

The Congress discussed and reviewed the work of KWO including the amendment of KWO's Constitution, laid down future plans, analyzed the current political situation, and discussed issues related to Refugee Return and women's participation in the peace process.

Based on the KWO analysis and discussion of the current peace talks between the KNU and the Burmese Government, we see that there are opportunities as well as many challenges ahead. Therefore KWO laid down its future plan to support the KNU in order to gain a sustainable and genuine peace in Burma.

From the 6th congress, 11 Executive Committee members were elected. The Chairperson is Nan Dah Eh Kler, Vice Chair is Naw Paw Day Toe, Secretary is Naw K'nyaw Paw, Joint Secretary 1 is Naw Ta Mla Saw and Joint Secretary 2 is Naw Siyo Paw.

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