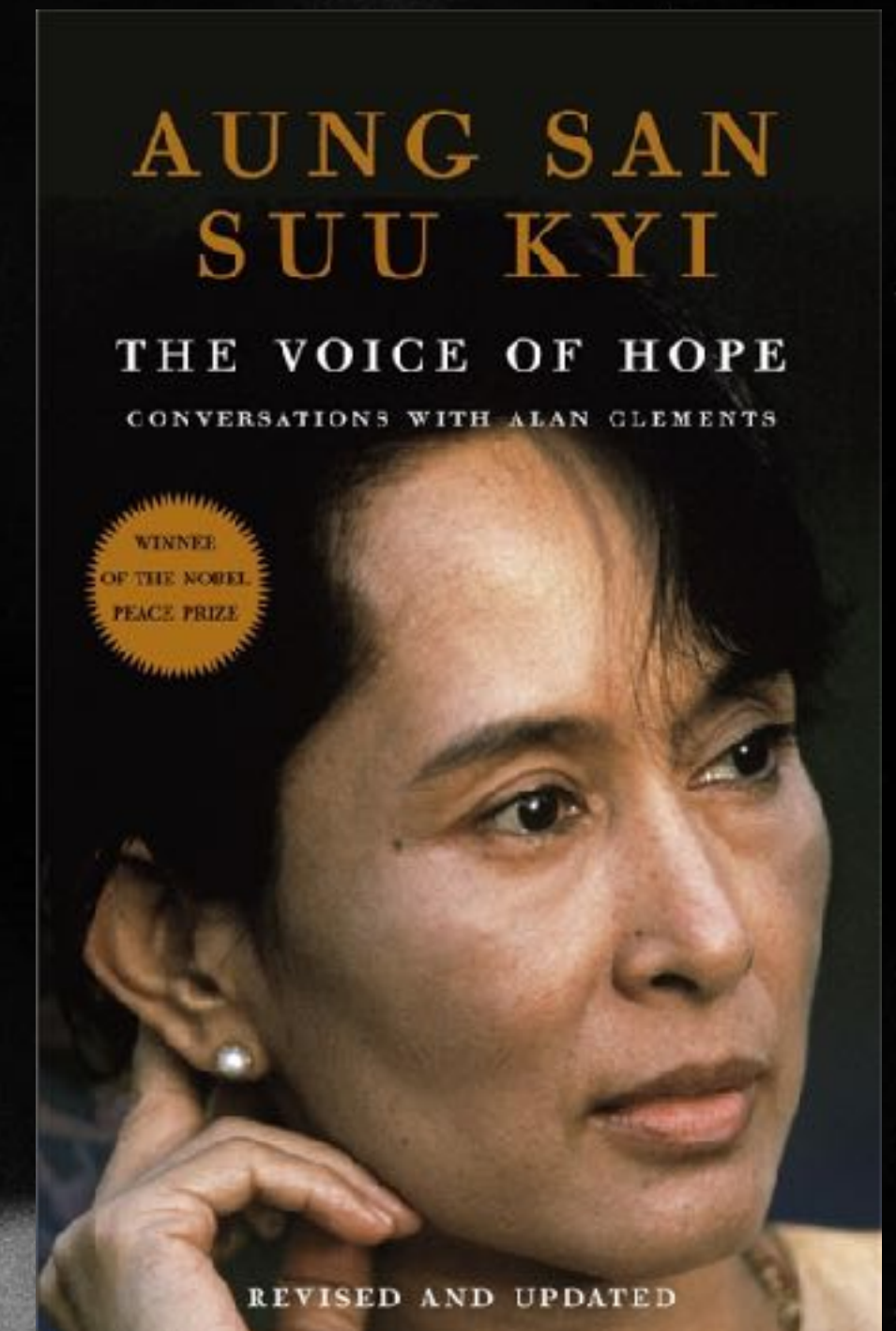


MEMORANDUM FOR A VISIONARY PROJECT  
SEEKING ANGEL INVESTORS

*Finishing Funds for a new book  
and short documentary film*



"Whatever the future of Burma, a possible future for politics itself is illuminated by these conversations."  
~ The London Observer

# REVOLUTION OF THE SPIRIT

*Aung San Suu Kyi and Burma's Voices of Freedom*







**“Please use your liberty to support ours.”**

***Aung San Suu Kyi, State Counselor,  
NLD government leader of Myanmar***

We have in our possession hundreds of hours of unseen and unheard historic footage, audio tapes, photographs and transcripts, documenting Burma's 'revolution of the spirit', spanning 28 years.

“At many of the key moments in history some of the bravest and most effective political acts were the sounds of the human voice itself.”

***Howard Zinn, American historian and political activist***





"Aung San Suu Kyi's struggle is one of the most extraordinary examples of civil courage in Asia in recent decades, she has become an important symbol in the struggle against oppression. In awarding the Nobel Peace Prize for 1991 to Aung San Suu Kyi, the Norwegian Nobel Committee wishes to honour this woman for her unflagging efforts and to show its support for the many people throughout the world who are striving to attain democracy, human rights and ethnic conciliation by peaceful means."

*The Norwegian Nobel Committee, 1991*

Awarded the  
**Nobel Peace Prize**  
in **1991**. The **only**  
**laureate** to receive the  
prestigious prize whilst  
still under house  
arrest.



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# One of Time Magazine's

## 100 Most Influential People in the World 2016

### Aung San Suu Kyi - A Beacon of Hope

Welcoming her into the Oval Office, I was struck immediately by Daw Aung San Suu Kyi's quiet dignity. She's soft-spoken, but is driven by a fierce determination—fortified by 15 years of house arrest—to bring democracy to her beloved Burma. Visiting her at her simple home in Rangoon two months later, I saw where The Lady had sustained herself by studying Buddhist teachings on love and compassion.

Today, having made the journey from prisoner to parliamentarian and party leader, Aung San Suu Kyi leads a party that won a landslide victory in last year's election. Daw Suu is now guiding the country's first civilian government in more than 50 years.


Burma still faces huge challenges, and its success will depend on ending long-running conflicts and upholding the human rights of all ethnic groups and religions. But democracy is poised to deliver a future of greater promise and prosperity.

"We human beings," she has said, "are so riddled with imperfection." But, she adds, "in spite of the imperfections, democracy still remains a beacon of hope for all of us." Now more than ever, The Lady remains a beacon of hope for 50 million people reaching for justice, and for millions more around the world.

***"Barack Obama, 44th President of the United States"***







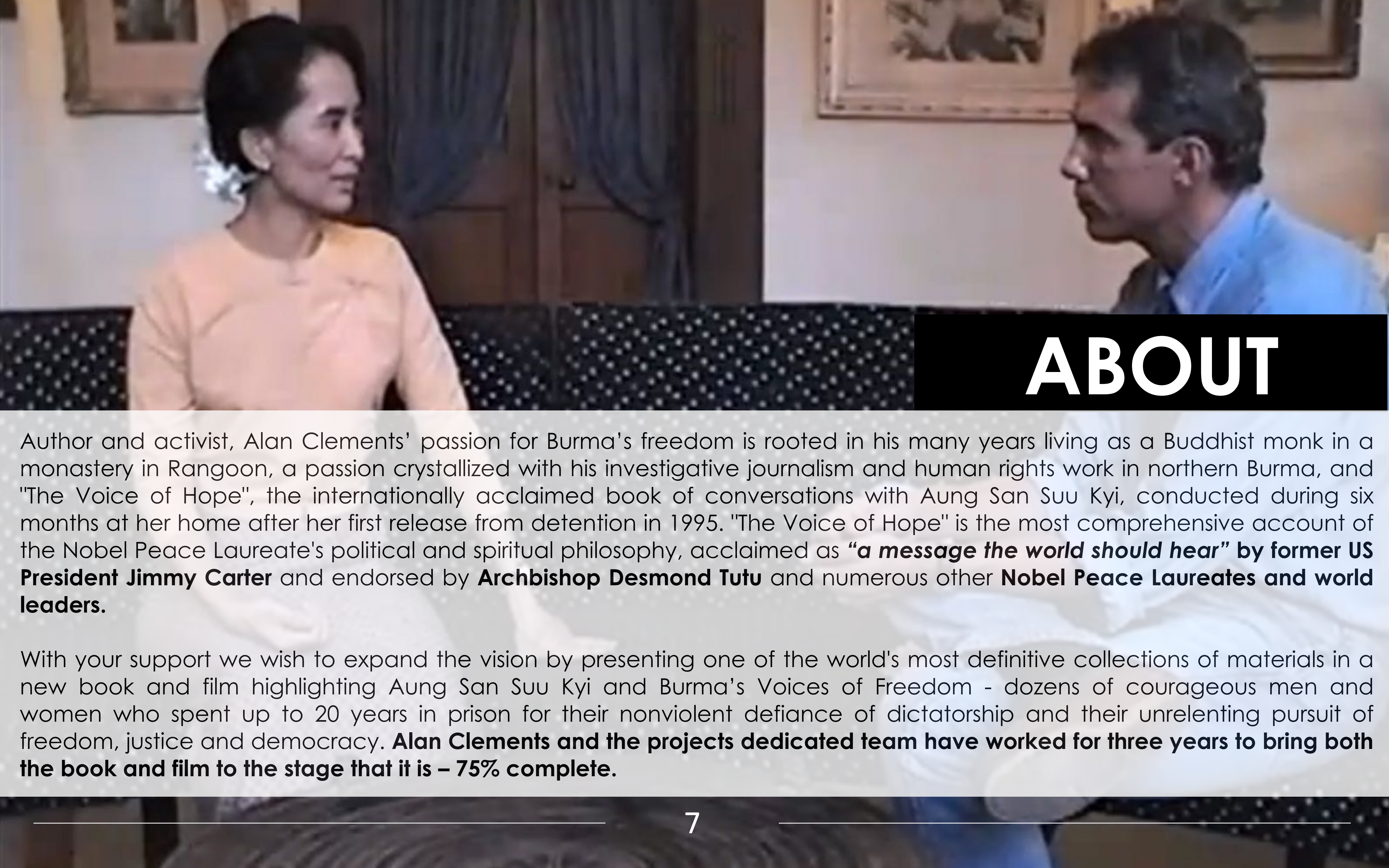
# OUR OBJECTIVE

TO GIFT THESE MATERIALS FREELY  
TO THE PEOPLE OF BURMA

We have in our possession a historic collection of 200 hours of never-before-seen or heard materials - audio and video recordings, photographs and transcripts - on Burma's struggle for freedom and democracy, a non-violent "*revolution of the spirit*" spanning 28 years.

*Revolution of the Spirit: Aung San Suu Kyi and Burma's Voices of Freedom*, is produced by American-born author, journalist, and World Dharma teacher, Alan Clements. He is widely considered to be one of the world's leading authorities on Burma's nonviolent revolution, and on the country's unique expression of Buddhism. He has been interviewed on ABC Australia, CBC Canada, ABC's Nightline, CBS Evening News, Talk to America, VOA, BBC, New York Times, London Times, Time and Newsweek magazines, and scores of other media worldwide. In addition, he has presented to such organizations as Mikhail Gorbachev's State of The World Forum, the Soros Foundation, United Nations Association of San Francisco, and many others, including a keynote address at the John Ford Theater in Los Angeles for Amnesty International's 30th year anniversary.



A woman with dark hair tied back, wearing a light orange top, is seated on a dark patterned sofa. She is looking towards a man seated opposite her. The man has dark hair and is wearing a light blue shirt. They are in a room with a wooden door and framed pictures on the wall in the background.

# ABOUT

Author and activist, Alan Clements' passion for Burma's freedom is rooted in his many years living as a Buddhist monk in a monastery in Rangoon, a passion crystallized with his investigative journalism and human rights work in northern Burma, and "The Voice of Hope", the internationally acclaimed book of conversations with Aung San Suu Kyi, conducted during six months at her home after her first release from detention in 1995. "The Voice of Hope" is the most comprehensive account of the Nobel Peace Laureate's political and spiritual philosophy, acclaimed as ***"a message the world should hear"*** by former US President Jimmy Carter and endorsed by Archbishop Desmond Tutu and numerous other Nobel Peace Laureates and world leaders.

With your support we wish to expand the vision by presenting one of the world's most definitive collections of materials in a new book and film highlighting Aung San Suu Kyi and Burma's Voices of Freedom - dozens of courageous men and women who spent up to 20 years in prison for their nonviolent defiance of dictatorship and their unrelenting pursuit of freedom, justice and democracy. **Alan Clements and the projects dedicated team have worked for three years to bring both the book and film to the stage that it is – 75% complete.**





Aung San Suu Kyi and her late husband, Dr Michael Aris, at her family home in Yangon, Burma (1988)



# OUR GOAL

To BRING Burma's Voices of Freedom  
to the World



And to GIFT these materials freely to the people of Burma so that these courageous voices might safeguard their emergent democracy for generations to come.



A woman with dark hair, wearing a brown long-sleeved top, is sitting and looking thoughtfully to the side. She has her hand near her chin, holding a pen. Behind her is a large red flag with a prominent white five-pointed star. The background is slightly out of focus, showing some architectural elements.

# OUR HOPE

To inspire finishing funds to complete two projects:

- 1) A new and final edition of the book, “The Voice of Hope,” retitled “Revolution of the Spirit: Aung San Suu Kyi and Burma’s Voices of Freedom.”
- 2) A feature documentary short film (40 minutes)

\*Both the book and film will be presented by Alan Clements and Special Guests in theatres and festivals worldwide, and be distributed freely throughout Myanmar.



# WHY NOW?

With the ascension of the first civilian government after fifty years of military dictatorship, led by Aung San Suu Kyi and her political party, the National League for Democracy (NLD), we are in the most critical phase of Burma's long struggle for freedom. This essential book and film highlights the leaders of the revolution - those courageous individuals, who against all odds, sustained their nonviolent determination for a free and democratic country.





Act for Amnesty  
and Amnesty International

## Ambassador of Conscience Award 2009

In recognition of her extraordinary courage and  
commitment to the cause of freedom and human  
rights. And her unwavering adherence to non-  
violence and the struggle for democracy in Burma.  
Amnesty International has the honour  
and pleasure of bestowing upon

**Aung San Suu Kyi**

the title of Amnesty International  
Ambassador of Conscience  
18 June 2012 – Dublin, Ireland

*'It is not power that corrupts but fear.  
Fear of losing power corrupts those who  
wield it and fear of the scourge of power  
corrupts those who are subject to it.'*

AUNG SAN SUU KYI

“By helping others, you learn to help yourself.”

**Aung San Suu Kyi**





Aung San Suu Kyi "is a hero of mine and a source of inspiration for all who work to advance human rights in Burma and around the world."

**Former US President Barack Obama**

"There was a quiet dignity about her, and the coiled intensity of a vibrant mind inside a long-imprisoned body. She exhibited qualities I had glimpsed before in other former political prisoners, including Nelson Mandela and Vaclav Havel. Like them, she carried the hopes of a nation on her shoulders."

**Former US Secretary of State Hillary Clinton**



# ESSENCE OF THE FILM & BOOK



This film and book is not just the story of Burma's archetypal struggle for freedom or a nation's collective despair. Rather, *Revolution of the Spirit: Aung San Suu Kyi and Burma's Voices of Freedom* is a rallying cry to more deeply understand freedom, especially freedom of expression and access to information, as these are the most vital forces employed to achieve and safeguard individual freedoms, strengthen democracy, and pre-empt oppression, conflict, war and genocide.



# HIGHLIGHTS

Over two-hundred hours of unseen historic footage, audio tapes, photographs, and transcripts of numerous conversations with Burma's leading voices of freedom.

THE **WORLD'S**  
FOREMOST  
COLLECTION OF A  
COUNTRY'S VOICES  
OF **FREEDOM!**

Please help us bring these  
voices to the world

And to gift the book and film  
freely to the people of Burma



A number of these courageous men & women spent decades as prisoners of conscience

# A FEW OF BURMA'S VOICES OF FREEDOM



Sayadaw U Pandita



Nilar Thein



Cardinal Charles Bo



Sitagu Sayadaw



U Tin Oo



U Win Htein



Ko Ko Gyi



Min Ko Naing



U Win Tin



U Gambira



Kyaw Zwa Moe



Daw Phyu Thin



Ma Thida



Zin Mar Aung



Dr. Zin Myint Maung



Kyaw Thu



Zeya Thaw



# KEY NLD PARTY LEADERS

We have feature interviews with each of these courageous freedom fighters



## **U Win Htein**

Aung San Suu Kyi's closest confidant  
19 years in prison

## **U Win Tin**

Co-founder of NLD  
19 years in solitary confinement

## **U Tin Oo**

Co-founder of NLD  
19 years in prison





# SUPPORT

WE INVITE YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT  
TO HELP US COMPLETE THIS PROJECT

Please, stand alongside “Burma’s Voices of Freedom” and generously support this essential project with a tax-deductible donation to the Buddha Sasana Foundation - our US-based 501 (c) (3) non-profit that owns the rights to this project.





# DONOR BENEFITS

With your sponsorship of this project, we will prominently highlight you as a person or your foundation, or company, or any other organization you wish, both in the credits of film and on a website designed for the release of the project. In addition, we will include a full page with the same information in all editions, formats, and languages of the book, worldwide. We will also thank you at public events and name you in press releases and when on radio and TV.

**It is our intention** to gift these materials freely to the people of Burma so that these courageous voices might safeguard their emergent democracy for generations to come.



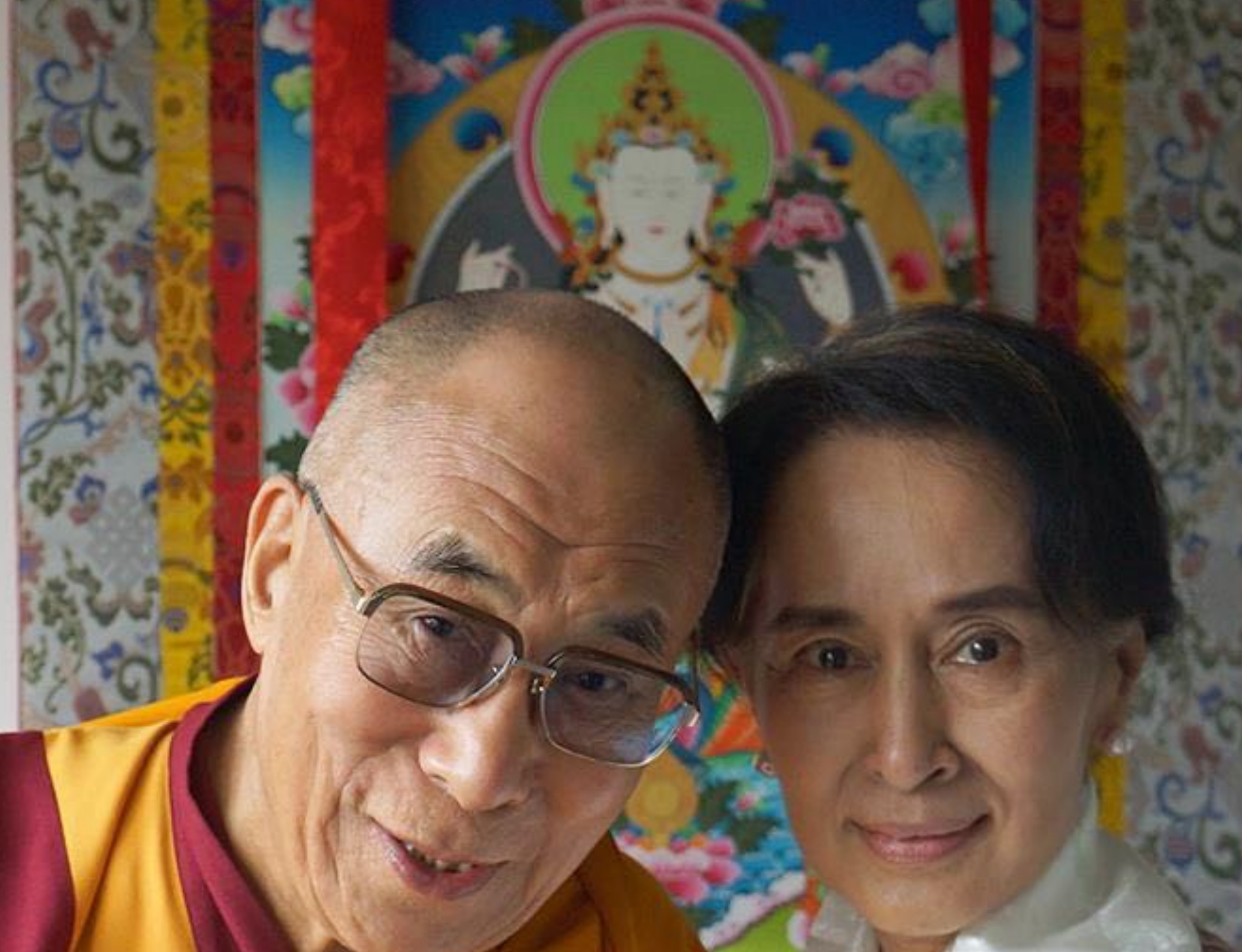
A large group of Buddhist monks, dressed in traditional maroon robes, are walking in a long, single-file line down a paved street. They are barefoot. The street is lined with trees and buildings. In the distance, another monk is walking towards the camera. The scene is brightly lit, suggesting daytime.

# FOR POTENTIAL DONORS

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“I have real admiration for Aung San Suu Kyi's courage.”  
***His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama***





“Aung San Suu Kyi is a remarkable and courageous human being. Listen to hear voice and be inspired...Burma is the next South Africa.”  
**Archbishop Desmond Tutu Nobel Peace Prize Laureate, 1984**





**Myanmar's New President**  
NLD Civilian Government  
U Htin Kyaw

"What matters most is national reconciliation. If a nation has to progress and prosper, unity is of utmost importance...There shall be no discrimination whatsoever. A democratically elected government is responsible for all citizens, being fair and square to everybody, harboring loving kindness and compassion towards all."

***Daw Aung San Suu Kyi,  
New Years Address to the Nation***

**Myanmar's Previous President**  
USDP Military Government  
U Thein Sein



# Dhamma Advice to the People of My Country

## The Requisites of Reconciliation

In February of 2016 Alan Clements spent eight evenings interviewing the 94 year old Burmese Buddhist monk, Venerable Sayadaw U Pandita (Aung San Suu Kyi's beloved spiritual guide and meditation teacher) in an exclusive series of conversations titled, "Dhamma Advice to the People of My Country." Among the topics discussed, Sayadawgyi illuminated the "Requisites of Reconciliation," the very basis of Aung San Suu Kyi and her NLD government's policy of peace-building by transitioning from dictatorship to democracy (bringing the oppressed and the oppressors together) through the practice of non-hostility or active metta - loving kindness in action. The entire twenty-thousand word conversation will be featured in the forthcoming new book titled, *"Revolution of the Spirit: Aung San Suu Kyi and Burma's Voices of Freedom,"* in addition to the feature length conversations with Burma's many other Voices of Freedom. The 8-part interview with Sayadaw U Pandita was also filmed and will occupy a central place in the short documentary accompanying the book.

The Venerable Sayadaw U Pandita passed away on April 15, 2016.







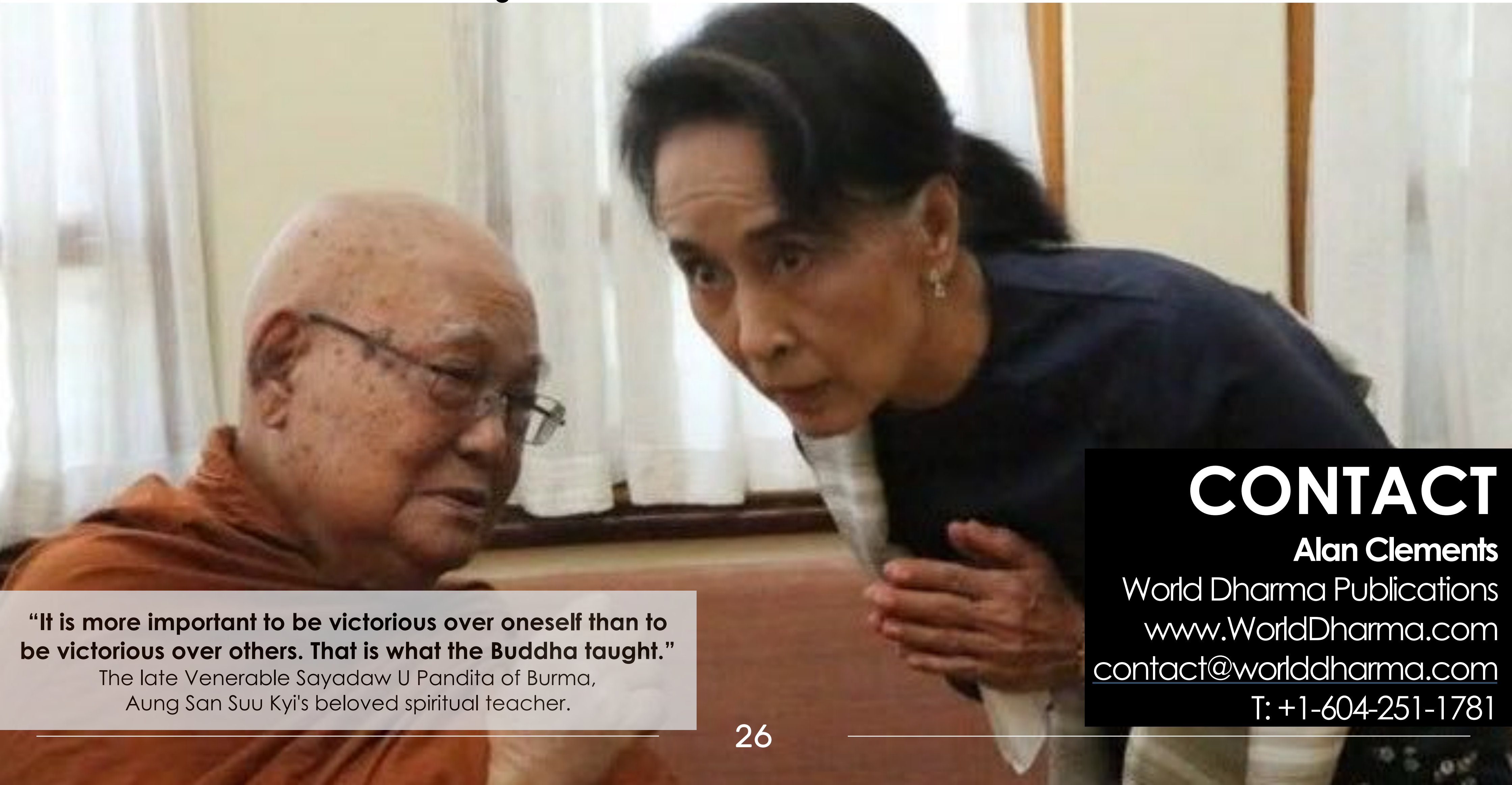
**Dana** - the ancient Buddhist practice of unconditional generosity, that of using one's own freedom to support the well-being of others.

If you wish to generously offer Dana - the completion funds - to bring forth this essential work, please contact us, now. It is our intention to Gift these materials freely, as Dana, to the people of Myanmar so that these courageous voices might safeguard their emergent democracy for generations to come.



**“You should never let your fears prevent you from doing what you know is right.”**

*Aung San Suu Kyi, NLD Government Leader of Myanmar: State Counselor,  
Foreign Minister and Minister in the President's office.*



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**“It is more important to be victorious over oneself than to be victorious over others. That is what the Buddha taught.”**

*The late Venerable Sayadaw U Pandita of Burma,  
Aung San Suu Kyi's beloved spiritual teacher.*





"As spiritual and political beings we are all activists at heart. No one is outside of society...It's about our freedom. That means everybody. We must see that nothing and no one is separate from this freedom. No one is an island in this world."

*Aung San Suu Kyi, from "The Voice of Hope," in conversation with Alan Clements*

"Every leader on the planet should read this book at least once."

**Alice Walker, Pulitzer-Prize winning author of *The Color Purple***