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New York

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Dear Vijay,

I refer to our conversation at the airport regarding Mr. John Holmes's briefing to the Security Council on Tuesday 27 May. I checked the schedule of meetings and found that there will be a thematic debate on protection of civilians in armed conflict. It would be improper to mention the issue of humanitarian access caused by natural disaster in Myanmar during the thematic debate. Some members of the Security Council will surely use it to politicize the issue. My great concern is that it would impact negatively on the achievement made during the Secretary-General's visit.

I would therefore implore you to use your good offices so that a humanitarian issue caused by natural disaster is not mentioned in anyway during the thematic debate on protection of civilians in armed conflict.

With warm regards.

Yours sincerely,

( Kyaw Tint Swe )

