

Mould Your Own Destiny

# Aung San Suu kyí



- **Aung San Suu Kyi** (born June 19, 1945, Rangoon, Burma [now Yangon, Myanmar]), politician and opposition leader of Myanmar

- It is a keynote speech sent from Aung San Suu Kyi to be read out in Beijing, china, 1995, read out on video on August 31, 1995.
- Expresses common hopes to unite women of the world
- She could not join the program because of her duty to work for freedom in her own country. She is sending even this message with some difficulties

- Appreciates the contribution of those who made it possible to bring her message there
- The opening plenary of this forum will focus on global forces affecting quality of life of human community and challenges they pose for global community as a whole and for women in particular beginning with the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

- Suu Kyi concentrates on peace, security, human rights and democracy in the context of participation of women in politics and governance.
- For millennia women have been nurturing, protecting and caring for the young and the old and working for peace favorable for life.
- No war has been started by women. Women and children have suffered by conflicts.

- Women have gained wisdom and experience from the role they have played. Now it is time to apply that in international arena for more care, tolerance, justice and peace for all.
- With this growing emancipation of women, less spending on weapons, and more on urgent need of humanity , the next millennia will be best in the human history

- The UNO has recognized tolerance, human rights, democracy and peace as closely related. Tolerance strengthens democracy and human rights.
- Live and let live is not enough. Try to understand the point of view of others. Broadmindedness and vision are necessary. One should have confidence on one's own ability.
- Women should be tolerated, valued, listened to and given rightful place.