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Myanmar Civil War

One of the most well-known international issue is the Myanmar Democratic movement. So, I try to show the possibility of the next stage of Myanmar civil war. Currently, Myanmar military occurred coup d'état and they kidnapped politicians. And set up the Myanmar military dictatorship. President Win Myint and Myanmar Democratic Provisional Government confront to the Myanmar military dictatorship. There are lots of countries are focusing on the Myanmar because it is getting worse, the U.N. delegate the envoy to the Committee Representing Pyidaungsu Hluttaw. (CRPH). Nowadays, CRPH is now requesting to the U.N. that Myanmar needs R2P (Responsibility to Protect). "The principle of R2P was adopted by the UN in 2005 and stipulates that the international community has a responsibility to protect people from crimes against humanity, war crimes, ethnic cleansing and genocide." So, this means they think it is close to genocide. There is no doubt that since the coup, people in Myanmar are facing potential crimes against humanity and that they deserve protection. The security forces continue to use deadly force against unarmed protesters, killing over 320 people. According to the Assistance Association of Political Prisoners, more than 2,900 people have been arrested and at least four political detainees have died in police custody, with their bodies displaying visible signs of torture. Lots of countries are condemn about the Myanmar coup d'état and mandate to release Aung San Suu Kyi and other Myanmar politicians.

Contrary to popular misperception, R2P is not primarily about military intervention.

R2P focuses on a range of measures – some consensual, some coercive – aimed at preventing or halting atrocities. And like all human rights norms, R2P is dependent upon political will for meaningful implementation. So, this means they can send some supply to stop hunger and medicines for patients. R2P is mostly for prevent, but there is a case that the U.N. send a peacekeeper because of the R2P. Libyan intervention is the case. So, if the Myanmar coup getting worse, there is possibility that Myanmar intervention can be caused by R2P.

Currently, Military keep kidnapping leaders of the protesters. And using violence to stop it. Some protesters were already died because the Military shoot them while they were doing protest. We can define this as a genocide. Military have two choice of it. Whether keep doing it, or stop it. And Democratic Provisional Government are keep resisting to the Military. They know they are weak, but they do not give up. But if the Military keep doing such a genocide thing, they can call for the help to the U.N. on the basis of violence. Or they can just surrender to the military and dictatorship will begin.

Let's say the United Nation trying to solve the Myanmar coup d'état. Because the CRPH request protection on the basis of R2P. Now they will discuss about how they will help the Myanmar.

1. All nations agreed Myanmar needs strong reaction. To stop the genocide of the Myanmar military, they need to send peacekeeper as soon as possible. This will spend lots of sources and money, but stopping genocide is the first priority.
2. They agreed to help Myanmar, but they do not want to violate autonomy of the Myanmar. So, they will support with foods and medicines. Because China is on military's side, this can occur complicated situation. They will support the Myanmar,

but they cannot help all things that Democratic Provisional Government wanted.

3. For the worst case, they can be silent and just let them solve the problem without any help. And This decision will affect to both Myanmar military and Democratic Provisional Government.

Because the situation is getting worse, their act can cause the Civil war of Myanmar. And this will be the worst scenario for all three factions. The U.N. and Democratic Provisional Government want democracy for the Myanmar, but Myanmar military wants to keep their authority. The U.N. is on the Democratic Provisional Government's side, but they do not want to ruin autonomy because this is against the rule of R2P. But Democratic Provisional Government requested for the help officially, they must have to react.

There are three table. For each table, there are two sides which are the Military and the Democracy. Each side have two options. Military can keep genocide people to control the media and civilization, or stop acts which can ethically blamed from other countries. And for the Democracy which is the Democratic Provisional Government (DPG), they can keep resist to the military to earn the democracy. Or they can surrender to the military to keep their youth and stop sacrifices.

First table is Current table. And in this Current state means the military trying to occupy the Myanmar with the force. The U.N. does not intervene yet, but depend on the choice of the two factions, they can decide to support the DPG or not.

Second table is Support table. This state means now the U.N. is now supporting the DPG to earn democracy. In this state, choices are same. But if DPG surrender to the Military, the U.N. will discuss internally about keep supporting DPG or not. And if they decide to stop support DPG, it will return to Current state.

Third table is FSupport (Fully Support) table. This state means the U.N. did the military intervention because the Military keep genocide the U.N.'s alliance. If the Military stops genocide, the U.N. will discuss internally about recalling the Peacekeepers. If they decide to recall their army, this will return to Support state. And if DPG surrender to the Military, the U.N. will discuss internally about keep supporting DPG or not. And if they decide to stop support DPG, it will return to Current state.

Because this is ongoing situation, there will be more factors can affect in real life. For example, some of the military soldiers deserting the army and join to civilization's side because they know what they are doing is unethical and immoral thing. And some dictatorship counties are now supporting the military's side. And airports in the Myanmar are mostly closed, some international reporters were captured by the military and they said there were torture and violence.

In my personal opinion, the Myanmar should become a democracy country. But in the gameplan, it seems the military will get benefit.

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