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H.E. U Aung Naing Oo Union Minister Ministry of Investment and Foreign Economic Relations Office No. 1, Zeya Htani Rd, Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar

Dear Your Excellence,

An urgent concern on the Current Unstable Power Supply in Myanmar

In view of the latest shortage of power supply issue in Myanmar, we are writing this letter to express our concerns on the difficulties which the manufacturing factories have been facing.

As informed by our members, the factories are struggling with power outages and unstable electrical voltage in various industrial zones such as Hlaing Thar Yar, Shwe Lin Ban, East Dagon and Shwe Pyi Tha. Factories in East Dagon have experienced worse power outage for over 4 to 6 hours. For the past several months, factories have been increasing their reliance on their own electricity generators which is very costly and is not tackled at the root. (see the appendix of the Graphic Statistic of Generator's Operation Hours in Shwe Pyi Tha Industrial Zone)

The shortage of power supply is such as hindrance to the production process and directly put up the cost of production. Manufacturers are unable to operate normally no matter how big amount of diesel fuel has been used for power generation, as their operation requires a stable power supply to ensure productivity, and as a result of the power shortages continuously disrupt their productivity, it would become a strong reason for the oversea buyers to reduce/stop order placement to Myanmar, and the demand on local labor force will be end up reduced consequently.

We suggest the government to prioritize the power supply to Industrial zone, especially to the labor intensive manufactories in order to strengthen their productivity. A quick improvement on the situation is in urgent need in order to help the companies get through this crucial and difficult moment.

It will be much appreciated if you would kindly review and advise if there will be any action taken to improve the power supply over a short period of time.

Thank you very much for your kind attention.

Yours faithfully,

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