

A Heartfelt and Urgent Plea to Join a Global Call to Conscience

Help Free Aung San Suu Kyi and the People of Burma

An Act of Creative Activism That Will Deliver Change

“Freedom and Democracy Are Dreams You Never Give Up.”

Aung San Suu Kyi, Myanmar’s imprisoned Nobel Peace laureate



From Fergus Harlow, Director of UseYourFreedom.org

Warm greetings,

I write to you with a heart full of hope and urgency, trusting this message finds you in a moment of care and reflection. My name is Fergus Harlow, and I am the director of UseYourFreedom.org—a global campaign dedicated to securing the release of Aung San Suu Kyi, Burma’s democratically elected leader and Nobel Peace Laureate, along with President Win Myint and more than 22,000 prisoners of conscience, currently held under one of the most brutal military dictatorships of our time.

For years, I’ve worked side by side with Alan Clements—author, investigative journalist, and lifelong champion of Burma’s nonviolent revolution. You may know Alan through his decades of dharma-driven activism, his time as a Buddhist monk at the Mahāsi Meditation Centre, or his decades-long deep friendship with Aung San Suu Kyi, reflected in works like *The Voice of Hope* and our co-authored four-volume epic, *Burma’s Voices of Freedom*.

Today, I reach out not just with words, but with a personal, heartfelt invitation to stand with us in a moment that could change history.

We are at a crossroads in Myanmar—the most critical juncture since their nationwide democracy movement began in 1988. Aung San Suu Kyi, now 80, has endured over twenty years in detention, the last five in solitary confinement in a windowless, rat-infested cell in Naypyidaw, Myanmar’s military stronghold. Her son has heard nothing from her in years. No proof of life has been shared. Following the devastating earthquake in central Myanmar on March 28th, credible reports from the Suu

Foundation and her legal team in Paris suggest she was injured, her cell damaged. Her fate remains unknown, and our hearts ache with the weight of her suffering.

We cannot stand by. We must act—now—while her light still burns. More than ever, the people of Burma need to know that they have not been forgotten.

In this moment of crisis, Alan Clements, despite being engaged in his own profound health challenges, has poured his soul into a singular act of creative defiance: a breathtaking new work, *Conversation with a Dictator: A Challenge to the Authoritarian Assault*. This 492-page illustrated novel is a fearless excavation of dictatorship, a tribute to Aung San Suu Kyi's unyielding spirit, and a global call to awaken the conscience of humanity.

This is no ordinary book. It is a beacon of hope, a weapon of peace, a love letter to freedom. Woven with over 300 full-page illustrations drawn from 200 years of Burmese history and Alan's 45 years of intimate connection to the country—marked by expulsions, a seventeen-year ban, and friendships with Burma's most courageous leaders—it is a cinematic meditation on power, truth, and redemption.

This radically transformative work was created with one purpose: to be placed in the hands of those who can shape history. We need your generous support to make that happen.

Described as a “literary feature film,” *Conversation with a Dictator* unfolds in five acts as a dialogue between Alan—a fictionalized journalist—and Myanmar's military ruler, Senior General Min Aung Hlaing. With unflinching clarity and profound empathy, it imagines a confrontation so searing, so truthful, it might awaken even a dictator's conscience—to release Aung San Suu Kyi and all those unjustly imprisoned.

But this book speaks to you, too. It is a mirror held up to each of us, urging us to search our own hearts, awaken our courage, and act for the greater good. Rooted in the South African philosophy of *ubuntu*—“*I am because we are*”—it reminds us that our humanity is intertwined, that no one is free until all are free. This is the soul of our campaign, the fire that drives Alan's sacrifice, and the vision that moves me to write to you today.

We believe that art, truth, and love—grounded in *ubuntu*—can spark a global uprising of solidarity to shift the course of history.

Each gifted hardback edition, accompanied by a personal letter, will reach global leaders, visionaries, and cultural influencers—from Nobel Peace Laureates to His Holiness the Dalai Lama, from Pope Leo XIV to President Donald Trump, from Robert F. Kennedy Jr. to Elon Musk, and to truth-tellers like Joe Rogan, Julian Assange, and Roger Waters. Each copy is a seed of conscience—planted to inspire action, ignite dialogue, and pierce the silence surrounding Burma's ongoing crisis.

Here's how you can join us in this sacred mission:

We've launched a GoFundMe campaign to make this global gifting initiative a reality. Every \$500 raised—through contributions of any size—allows us to purchase a carton of 10 hardback copies at wholesale and mail them, with a signed letter, to those

whose influence can move mountains. Our dream is to gift 1,000 copies as swiftly as possible, igniting a wave of awareness that could lead to an Ashoka Peace Accord: the release of all political prisoners, an end to civil war, and the rebirth of a democratic Burma rooted in dignity and justice.

What You Can Do Today



1. Donate to the campaign

Visit [GoFundMe – UseYourFreedom.org](https://www.gofundme.com/conversation-with-a-dictator-clements). Read the campaign overview. Watch the one-minute trailer. Share it with friends and allies. Every contribution helps—no amount is too small. Every dollar makes a difference.

2. Buy the book—read it, gift it, share it

Order your copy of *Conversation with a Dictator*, available on Amazon and other online retailers ([all links here](#)). Then read it. Gift it to friends, colleagues, and key voices in your life. Let the book speak for those who cannot.

3. Help us reach the right voices

Share this campaign through newsletters, podcasts, media platforms, [and social channels](#). Its power grows with each person who passes it on—to their friends, their networks, their communities. One ripple can move a tide.

4. Yes, please share this appeal

Email it. Post it. Forward it far and wide. This is the death cry of a collapsing regime—and we must not let it drag Aung San Suu Kyi and Myanmar’s lawfully elected leaders into the abyss of a slow-motion genocide.

The time to act is now.

Even ***one courageous voice***—just one global figure—could pierce the silence, shift the narrative, and force the junta to act.

Imagine President Trump or Robert Kennedy Jr or Jullian Assange or the New York Times or you standing before the world and declaring: “Free Aung San Suu Kyi. Free Win Myint. Stop the war.”

It’s possible. That moment could change everything.

This is our time to rise.
To rise above division.
To put the past behind us.
To rise above fear.
To stand together—for **truth**, for **freedom**, for the **dignity of a people** who have suffered long enough.

Let our actions become the proof of our shared humanity.
Let our voices become the force that breaks the silence.
Let our courage be the turning point.

Please share this invitation with your key circle of potential supporters. And if you're moved to contribute more deeply, we are actively seeking volunteers. Just send us an email to get involved.

From my heart to yours—***thank you*** for standing with us.

And please: **act now. Every minute counts.**

No place is safe in Burma.

100,000 homes incinerate by the junta.

10,000 people killed. 3.5 million displaced.

20 million in need of urgent humanitarian aid.

The UN states that 2 million face starvation this year.

[REVIEW THE GO FUND ME CAMPAIGN PAGE, donate now](#)

If you'd like to discuss your contribution—or prefer to offer it via bank wire transfer, Bitcoin, or another cryptocurrency—please don't hesitate to email me. We can easily make that happen, and soon.

In solidarity,

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One-Minute Book Trailer

Conversation with a Dictator by Alan Clements

Watch the official trailer:

[YouTube – 1-Minute Book Trailer](#)

[Campaign Facebook Page](#)

Conversation with a Dictator: A Challenge to the Authoritarian Assault
<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61577331327712>
Please share.

Additional Materials & Links

Alan Clements' recent BBC Interview on Burma, Aung San Suu Kyi, the book and campaign

- In Burmese: <https://youtu.be/IBoqpHpIGLo>
- In English (Facebook):
<https://www.facebook.com/share/v/1JJUKtpSYe/?mibextid=wwXIfr>
- In English (YouTube): <https://youtu.be/7KRDCKzSvI?si=gYydnjaDFT-jVoAV>

About the Book

CONVERSATION WITH A DICTATOR

A Challenge to the Authoritarian Assault

A fictional dialogue with Myanmar's Senior General

By Alan Clements

Published by World Dharma Publications

A laser-edged invocation for our time.

Conversation with a Dictator is not just a book—it's a piercing mirror held up to the global authoritarian onslaught infiltrating our minds, hearts, and freedoms. With soul-haunting visuals and searing psychological insight, it rips through illusion like a shockwave—visceral, lucid, unforgettable. Alan Clements has created a cinematic literary event—a profile of dictatorship so raw, so revelatory, it feels like pulling back the curtain on the Wizard of Oz, only to find the architecture of power staring straight into your soul.

This is not a book you read.

It's a transmission you survive.

A wake-up call. A blueprint. A warning.

No one is immune. No one is untouched.

– Krystal Dyan

Writer, Poet, Artist, and Awakening Arts Mentor

Co-Producer with Alan Clements of *Patriarchy, Authoritarianism, and the Divine Feminine*

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- Author Interview
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- Preface

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Dedication

To the people of Myanmar—

To the dissidents, the dreamers, the ones who refuse to kneel.

To the voices silenced, the lives stolen, the names erased—*you are not forgotten.*

To those who have suffered under state-sanctioned terror,
and to those who fight to dismantle it.

To the political prisoners who remain defiant behind bars.

To the exiles who carry their homeland in their hearts.

To the journalists, artists, and truth-tellers who refuse to be silenced.

And to all who dare to stand against oppression—across borders, across time, across history—who fight not just for a nation's independence, but for the right of every human being *to think, to speak, to be.*

This book is for you. This book is because of you.

And one day, beyond tyranny and silence—*Freedom will rise.*

All proceeds support the UseYourFreedom.org Global Campaign

to free Aung San Suu Kyi and Burma's unlawfully imprisoned democratic leaders.