


Political Prisoner Profile

AAPP CASE NO.:	0129			
NAME OF POLITICAL PRISONER:	Kam Lam Hkoap @ Kyaw Soe			
GENDER:	Male	Ethnicity:	Chin	
DATE OF BIRTH:	1973	Age:	36	
RELIGION:	Unknown			
PARENTS NAME:	U Fu Cin Shin Thaug			
EDUCATION:	Unknown			
OCCUPATION:	Seller			
LAST ADDRESS:	Dagon Seikkan Township, Rangoon			
ARREST DATE:	Late October 2007			
SECTION OF LAW:	4, 17/20, 212, 17/1, 6, 13/1, 505(B)			11 Sep 09 (EYNG)
SENTENCING HISTORY:	33 years on 18 November 2008, reduced to 20 years on 22 January 2009			
COURT HEARING:	Insein prison special court presided over by South Dagon Township Court Judge			
NAME OF PRISON:	Myaungmya prison, Irrawaddy division			
RELEASE DATE:				
IMMEDIATE HEALTH CONCERNS:				
CURRENT STATUS SUMMARY:				

As of 11 September 2009, Kam Lam Hkoap a.k.a. Kyaw Soe is being detained in Myaungmya prison, Irrawaddy division.

On 22 January 2009, Fu Cin Shin Thang, leader of the Zomi National Congress said his son Kam Lam Hkoap a.k.a. Kyaw Soe had been denied family visits, and parcels of food and other necessities from the family were also refused. Kam Lam Hkoap a.k.a. Kyaw Soe is serving 20 years in prison (reduced from the original 33 years sentence handed down in November 2008) in Myaungmya prison in Irrawaddy. (DVB, 225 50149183.66667()JTJ ET 0.5 0 0 RG 0.5 0 0 rg q 8.33333 0 0 8.33333 0 0 cm BT /R9 11.04 Tf 1 0

- 12. La 123903 Two stars police officer Thet Tin, information forces (Witness)
 - 13. La 126459 Two stars police officer Khin Myint, information forces Myawaddy branch (Witness)
 - 14. La 127086 Two stars police officer Myint Aye, information forces (Witness)
 - 15. La 145985 Warrant police officer Aung Ko Ko, information forces (Witness)
 - 16. La 139240 Two stars police officer Tun Thein Soe, information forces (Inspector)
- (Source: AAPP-obtained information)

According to information provided by the Asian Human Rights Commission (Urgent Appeal Case: AHRC-UAC-177-2008):

“The three men were not taken to a police station and then brought before a magistrate as required by law (Criminal Procedure Code, CrPC, section 61). Instead they were held incommunicado and the charges framed and presented against them in court only on 20 January 2008. Thus they were kept in illegal detention in the interrogation cells within the central Insein Prison for 82 days, during which time it is alleged that they were tortured. It is also revealed that the case was in the hands of the army intelligence unit Military Affairs Security throughout this time and it was only turned over to the police for them to put the case into the court.....When the case was brought into the court, it was found that the police officers presenting it have no evidence at all against the accused. They could not name what dates the supposed offences were supposed to have been committed. Other questions they refused to answer on grounds of national security or because they were not authorised. The police had no material evidence to show the court to prove any of the allegations. Instead they just read confessions supposedly obtained from the accused. It is a violation of the law for a confession obtained in this way to be given in the court (Evidence Act, sections 25-26). When the defence lawyer for the three accused asked the police officer reading the confessions if he knew this, he said yes, but that he was following orders.”

(AHRC - Urgent Appeal Case: AHRC-UAC-177-2008 - *BURMA: Three more persons charged without evidence over September protests*, 080808) UPI Asia.com, *No evidence please, we're Burmese police*, 070808)

On 18 November 2008, Kam Lam Hkoap a.k.a. Kyaw Soe was found guilty and sentenced to 33 years in prison. His cousin Kub Kham Khwar a.k.a. Kwalpi a.k.a. Antorny a.k.a. Charl Fee was sentenced to 8 years in prison, while Arakanese activist Tin Htoo Aung also received a 33-year sentence.

On 29 November 2008, Kam Lam Hkoap a.k.a. Kyaw Soe was transferred to Myaungmya prison, Irrawaddy division from Insein prison.

On 22 January 2009, Eastman Ridge on 30-0024(a) Court upheld an appeal by (L) 1851324E77 (2008) lawyer