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To: Ecumenical Partners of the Presbyterian Church of Myanmar

Subject: Reports on Cyclone Mocha and Request for Donation

Dear PCM Partner,

Greetings from the Presbyterian Church of Myanmar (PCM). I hope all is well with you.

I am send you a report on the impact of Cyclone Mocha and including a request letter for donations. The donations are required for repairing and rebuilding work for Church buildings, Pastor's quarters, Boarding houses and member's houses.

As you are aware, super Cyclone Mocha hit the Rakhine State and Southern Chin State on May 14, 2023. Some reports say that 90% of the cyclone hit area was severely damaged. The Assembly Executive Committee of PCM sent the Mission Secretary and me to visit the Cyclone Mocha affected people in the Rakhine State on May 30 to June 4. Our first-hand observation confirmed the reports of the extreme damage that was caused. The damage that we observed with our own eyes was completely devastating. Our members are suffering greatly. The cyclone ripped the roofs off homes, uprooted trees and brought down power lines over a very wide area. Unfortunately, the affected area is not only the Rakhine State but also the Southern Chin State too. PCM members in those areas are severely affected.

Our investigation revealed that the damage caused by Cyclone Mocha to PCM property and members property is as follows:

- 30 Pastor quarters
- 13 Church buildings,
- 3 Boarding Houses
- 355 private member's houses affected and need to be repairing or rebuilding.

The total estimated costs for repairing or rebuilding amounts to 319,100,000 MMK. That is approximately 118,185 US dollars (based on the currency calculation of \$1USD = 2700 MMK). I

have enclosed the summary list of the damaged and the estimated costs for repairing and rebuilding. Please see my attachment.

In this regard the Executive Committee Meeting of PCM agreed to help them in whatever ways we could and also agreed to request donations from partner churches and organizations including individual donors (AEC/23-112). Therefore, at this time of great need I am writing a request letter to you to please support us in raising funds by making contribution towards affected people in those areas.

Any amount you decide to donate will be very much appreciated and will make a huge difference in the lives of Cyclone Mocha affected church members. Together, we can make a difference.

Thanking you in anticipation for your contribution.

Kind Regards



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