

A Special Project to Preserve a Multi-Media-Film Edition
The Voice of Hope: Conversations with Aung San Suu Kyi

Through an extraordinary set of events, late last year, over fifty hours of recordings previously believed lost in Burma were recovered. Combined with our existing materials at World Dharma's The Burma Project International—sponsors of the UseYourLiberty.org vision—this priceless collection of audio, video footage, and photographs of Aung San Suu Kyi and her key colleagues and mentors reveal these heroic freedom fighters innermost philosophical, spiritual and political views, as they inform what many consider to be one of the most inspiring spiritually-rooted, political revolutions of the modern era.

These materials, once restored, as some were damaged from being buried in the earth for 15 years, will be used to produce a multimedia-film edition of *The Voice of Hope*. To initiate this project in order to preserve these timeless materials in the most valuable format, the restoration of the recordings is essential.

Presently, they are being stored in a temperature-controlled vault. But after careful analysis of the recordings, a restoration expert who has done considerable work for the Smithsonian estimated the cost at \$30,000, with an additional \$70,000 or so to produce the materials for our intended purposes.

Towards this goal, Aung San Suu Kyi's internationally acclaimed book, *The Voice of Hope*, was recorded into a 13 hour long unabridged audio book (narrated by the book's co-author, Alan Clements, a former Buddhist monk in Burma) and is offered on the UseYourLiberty.org website as an mp3 download to one's computer, iPod or mp3 player.

The audio book not only offers an unprecedented glimpse into the heart and mind of one of the world's most courageous spiritual and political leaders, it offers the global community an impassioned call to action. "Be free," Aung San Suu Kyi states. "Nobody can imprison your mind. They can imprison your body, but they cannot imprison your mind. We must always remember this. Be free." She goes on to say "Please use your liberty to promote ours." And that's why we created The Voice of Hope audio book.

Funds generated from each download of The Voice of Hope will go towards the cost of delivering and storing the content, as well as maintaining the website and networking the vision to as many people, communities, and organizations worldwide. If you would like to assist us in reaching an even larger audience please visit the share page on our website.

Beyond the base cost of the audio book, additional funds that one may wish to offer will go towards the realization of this important project to produce an interactive multimedia-film of The Voice of Hope, thus preserving Aung San Suu Kyi's own voice of hope and freedom, not only in written form, but through this unprecedented collection of audio, video, and still images as well.

The following is the final question Alan Clements asked Aung San Suu Kyi after spending six months in conversations with her in the making of The Voice of Hope:

Alan Clements: "On the chance that you are re-arrested and held incommunicado, may I invite you to speak to those of you in the world who wish to support you and your people's aspirations for democracy and freedom?"

Aung San Suu Kyi: "It's very simple. You must not forget that the people of Burma want democracy. Whatever the authorities may say, it is a fact that the people want democracy and they do not want an authoritarian regime that deprives them of their basic human rights. The world should do everything possible to bring about the kind of political system that the majority of the people of Burma want and for which so many people have sacrificed themselves. Burma should be helped at a time when help is needed. And one day we hope to be ourselves in a position to help others in need."

**"Aung San Suu Kyi is a remarkable and courageous human being.
Listen to her voice and be inspired...Burma is the next South Africa."**

~ Archbishop Desmond Tutu

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