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Statement by the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office

The UK in Myanmar is committed to supporting national organisations and civil society to respond to the humanitarian crisis across the country. We aim to channel our support in way that builds up national humanitarian leadership and coordination mechanisms, and links local partners into the wider UN networks and systems where appropriate.

We are extremely proud of the work that we have done through HARP F and others to build understanding of localisation and the capacity of local partners. As HARP F winds down, we will be bringing learning and some of these relationships ‘in house.’ We can’t always give money directly to local organisations but we are working towards greater flexibility and through funds that increasingly can and are breaking new ground on supporting national action.

The UK is committed to maintaining a wider conversation on localisation and to provide a platform to bring different partners and interests together to ensure we are exploring all avenues to meet urgent needs at this extremely challenging time in Myanmar.

(End statement)