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**BURMA: Military Planning To Delay New Government**

Burma's newly elected National Assembly will not convene until September, [REDACTED]

**Comment:** The regime is maneuvering to prevent the National League for Democracy from rapidly approving a democratic constitution by majority Assembly vote. The military probably hopes a long transition will split the NLD along ethnic lines and sharpen differences between party moderates and activists, who want to form a government immediately. Meanwhile, the public is increasingly frustrated by the military's delaying tactics; protests may erupt again if the regime does not release NLD Chairwoman Aung San Suu Kyi by 19 July, when her yearlong detention order expires. [REDACTED]

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