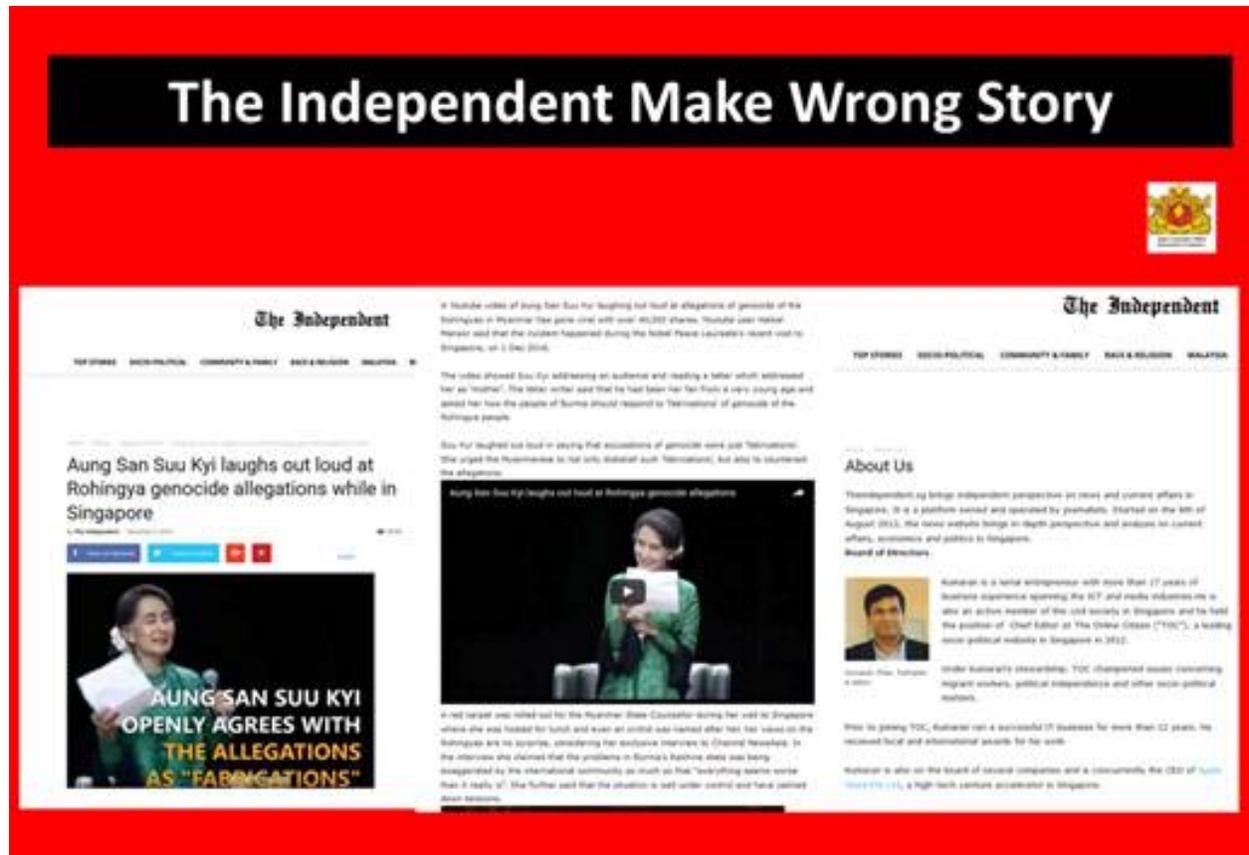


Legal action to be taken against the Independent Daily for fabricated news on State Counsellor



At such a time when false accusations are being made against Myanmar over human rights, some international media are describing false news on Myanmar intentionally. On the Online page of the Independent Daily Edition—[http:// theindependent.sg](http://theindependent.sg) on December 5, there was a news under the headline “Aung San Suu Kyi laughs out at Rohingya genocide allegations while in Singapore.”

Concerning the reporting of a wrong report, the State Counsellor Office’s Information Committee announced yesterday that responsible officials of the republic of the Union of Myanmar will respond to the Independent Daily according to the law and procedures of Journalism.

In meeting with Myanmar citizens in Singapore, Myanmar language was used as the medium of communication, but the video file referred to by the Independent Daily was the false one posted on Youtube, subtitled in English by the google account named Haikal Mansor. It is one of the unconfirmed sources of the news and the propagandist fighting Myanmar with false news. As regards the invented videos posted on Youtube by the said account, contact will be made Google Inc,. Although conscientious Myanmar citizens and responsible correspondents made critical comments, the Independent Daily failed to insert a corrigendum, not abiding by the media ethnics. Kumaran Pilla is the publisher-cum-editor of the Independent Daily, claiming that Theindependent.sg is a media describing latest news in Singapore.

Question & Answer session between Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, State Counsellor, and Myanmar Citizens in Singapore on 1-12-2016

Question: We saw difficulties being encountered by the new government particularly those regarding the fabricated news. We totally support the government led by our mother-like leader. Now I want to ask you how you think of the trouble makers and their subversive actions by fabricating stories. Are our aims and objectives likely to be successful? Which preparations are we necessary to make? Let us hear your stance and conception presently so as to reduce our worries. (Questioner is a Myanmar citizen who loved her since at the age of 8, and supported since 1996.)

Answer by Daw Aung San Suu Kyi: "It will be a help to us as long as you know they are fabricating the news. Their noises will be nuisance for them, if we do not believe them and fall for their invented stories. I want to say that there will never become a problem. But one thing is that there is no government that does not err. So, I hereby request you all to suggest of our government needs to amend our modus operandi." (Unofficial translation)

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