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Daw Aung San Suu Kyi to Speak at Dinner Hosted by IRI and NDI

Washington, DC – The [International Republican Institute](#) (IRI) and the [National Democratic Institute](#) (NDI) will honor Burmese democracy leader Daw Aung San Suu Kyi at a dinner on Wednesday, Sept. 19. In addition to Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, former Secretary of State Madeleine K. Albright, chair of NDI, and U.S. Senator John McCain, chair of IRI, will give remarks.

Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, a Nobel Peace Prize laureate, Congressional Gold Medal recipient and tireless champion for peaceful political reform, spent almost 15 of the last 20 years under house arrest. She took a seat in parliament last May following historic Burmese by-elections in April that marked the first time in more than 20 years that her party, the National League for Democracy, was allowed to compete for public office. After decades of military rule and economic stagnation, Burma has begun to initiate political and economic reforms.

**Where: Presidential Ballroom
Capital Hilton
1001 16th Street, NW
Washington, DC**

**When: Wednesday, Sept. 19, 2012
5:00 p.m. room available for set-up
7:00 p.m. dinner begins**

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