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AFT Convention 2008

Human Rights Luncheon

with

Mr. Min Zin

**President's International Freedom and Democracy Speaker and
Awardee**

The 2008 President's International Freedom and Democracy Award will be presented to the 88 Generation Students' Group for its commitment to the struggle for freedom and democracy in Burma. The group is comprised of activists who, as students, led popular demonstrations on Aug. 8, 1988. Hundreds of thousands of citizens flooded the streets of Rangoon, only to be shot by military troops. Thousands died and many were arrested. The group has continued its work from underground, however, and in August 2007, they sparked street protests that lasted two weeks and captivated the world before being violently suppressed in the final weeks of September.

Mr. Min Zin will accept the award on behalf of the 88 Generation Students' Group. Min Zin founded a nationwide high school students' union when he was only 14 and participated in the 1988 uprising. He spent the next nine years inside Burma's underground movement, working with National League for Democracy leader and Nobel Peace Prize laureate Aung San Suu Kyi. He was forced to flee and worked as a journalist both on the Thai-Burma border and in the United States.

Saturday, July 12, 2008

12:30 p.m.

Grand Ballroom

Navy Pier, Chicago

Advance ticket price – by July 3 – \$32

On-site ticket price – \$40

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