

# "One-belt-one-road" Initiative from the Perspectives of Political Stability in Myanmar and the Importance of Developing Traditional Sino-Myanmar Relations

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Introduction to Myanmar

- Resource-rich
- Outgoing and Non-aligned Foreign Policy
- Geographically close to China
- Strategically Important to China's OBOR initiative







## Review of Current OBOR Progress in Myanmar

- BCIM Economic Corridor
- Ruili-Kyaukpyu Highway
- Positive Exchanges and Dialogues





#### Importance of Political Stability in Myanmar

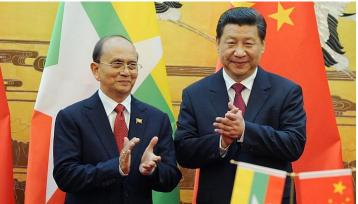
- 2015 Election results may change Myanmar policies
- Suspension of Sino-Myanmar projects due to civilian protests
- Civil war problems near Sino-Myanmar borders





#### **Traditional Sino-Myanmar Relations**

- Friendly neighbors with 2,200 km long borderlines
- China was a strong backer of Myanmar during the days of Western sanctions
- China has been the largest foreign investor in Myanmar







#### **Traditional Sino-Myanmar Relations**

- Relationship come to a downhill since Myanmar's open policy to the West
- Project suspensions further deteriorate relationships
- China starts to reach out to opposition party leader to maintain political balance





#### Roles of HKSAR in OBOR Cooperation with Myanmar

- Diplomatic bridge between China and Myanmar
- Promotion of Traditional Chinese Medicine in Myanmar
- Cultural Exchanges (Martial Arts)





# THANK YOU!

