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MYANMAR'S SHADOW GOVERNMENT TO CREATE ITS OWN POLICE FORCE

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A parallel government opposed to military rule in Myanmar announced on Tuesday (Jun 7) it was forming its own police force, in its latest effort to hamper the junta's efforts to govern after a coup last year.

Myanmar has been in turmoil since the overthrow of Aung San Suu Kyi's elected government, which ended a decade of tentative democracy and sparked nationwide opposition by groups determined to force the generals to cede power.

The military has labelled its opponents "terrorists", including the shadow National Unity Government (NUG), an alliance of anti-junta groups of which many members are in hiding or in self-imposed exile.

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