

Open letter to Prime Minister Modi



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Dear Prime Minister [Narendra Modi](#),

Regarding the Indo-Naga Peace Talks, the effort to end the [war](#) for between [India](#) and [Nagaland](#), the Naga International Support Center, NISC, just sent an open letter to the Prime Minister of the United Kingdom. This letter deals with the legitimacy of that Kingdom, then Great Britain, of transferring all of [Nagaland](#) to [India](#) and then Burma.

In that letter we requested the Prime Minister of the United Kingdom to show the Naga Peoples with conclusive evidence that indeed the British Government transferred all of [Nagaland](#) to the Union of [India](#) and to what was then Burma.

We asked that because we know that around 65% to 75% of all Naga lands were never colonized by Great Britain and so even if [Nagaland](#) was officially transferred; papers to that effect should show this beyond [doubt](#), still the rest of [Nagaland](#), termed by Britain [as](#) 'un-administered areas of the FREE Nagas' or Excluded areas, could not have been transferred and so were free when the British decolonized.

We are certain you know also that Naga [leaders](#) of the [National](#) Naga Council declared independence a day before [India](#). And, although this was ignored by [India](#) and all other nations, the United Nations received the declaration. However, possibly because Great Britain did not react by providing papers, [Nagaland](#) was not recognized [as](#) a sovereign nation.

Still, with the spot on of what you [don't](#) have you cannot give, the Naga Peoples have every right to determine their own future.

It also means your predecessor Jawaharlal Nehru in 1953, with U Nu, [leader](#) of Burma, had no right to draw the border through [Nagaland](#) thus separating them internationally.

Being a wise man of stature we therefore request you to honor the [rights](#) of the Naga Peoples and also ask you to look into how their [rights](#) can be restored in practice.

Following that the question of repairing damages inflicted upon many Nagas by the Indian Armed Forces should also be discussed and determined.

Dear Prime Minister [Narendra Modi](#) [as](#) a formidable [leader](#) we think you will agree that justice should be done to those who have been treated unjustly since 1947, almost seven long decades. NISC feels many lives could be spared on both sides if you let your wisdom prevail.

Yours sincerely

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1947. Mahatma [Gandhi](#)'s promise to the Nagas

7. In 1947 a Naga delegation went to [India](#) and met Mahatma [Gandhi](#) on July 19, 1947 at his Phangi colony in Delhi. We submitted the Agenda in writing why he wanted to meet him [as](#) it was requested by his secretary Mr. Pyrellal. We stated that

1953- A Naga delegation led by A.Z. Phizo, [President](#) of the NNC met Mr. Jawaharlal Nehru, Prime minister of [India](#) at [New Delhi](#). Mr.Nehru said; "whether heaven falls or [India](#) goes into pieces and [blood](#) runs red in the country, I [don](#)'t care, or for that matter anybody comes in, I [don](#)'t care. [Nagaland](#) will not be allowed to become independent".

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