

Karen Revolution Day

On 31 January each year Karen people mark the beginning of the armed struggle for autonomy.

The Karen resistance against the Burmese Army began on 31 January 1949. Virtually every other ethnic group in Burma has since joined the Karen in guerrilla warfare.

While some guerrilla armies have signed ceasefire agreements with the Burmese Army, there can be no lasting peace without genuine democracy or human rights.



Traditional *Don* dancing (above) and an Animist Ceremony (below).

