

Htet Aung Kyaw has Aung San Suu Kyi watching over his work, and if he turns his back, he will easily know what time it is in Rangoon.



- They think it is crazy. It is crazy!

Rangoon is the capital, not Naypyidaw. Maung Win left Burma years ago, and travelled to Norway with his wife and daughter. His parents and siblings are still in Burma, and he doesn't speak with them on the phone regularly.

- I call them sometimes, but not too often. The government in Burma knows who I am, so I will put them in a dangerous position if I call them often, he says.

#### Chief and cameraman

In a closed room next to the little kitchen, the chief editor, Aye Chan Naing, is busy controlling the robot camera in the studio.

- When you work with the Democratic Voice of Burma, you have to do all kinds of jobs, Maung Win explains.

- We're not enough people, so all the employees have to be able to do all kinds of jobs. The television anchor is also the World News editor, for instance. Naing nods, and focuses on one of the nine big screens in his little control room. Right now he's the cameraman, later today he will be the chief again.

**There are no free media organizations in Burma, everything is controlled by the military junta, and is pure propaganda**

**Khin Maung Win Deputy executive director, Radio Burma**



#### Burma vj's in Lillehammer

Danish director Anders Østergaard just finished documentary «Burma VJ's». An excerpt will be shown at the seminar titled "Buddha's radio warriors – in exile" Saturday. Main character, «Joshua», is a young, Rangoon-based VJ smuggling tapes out of the sealed off country to the Democratic Voice of Burma in Norway. He often finds himself in trouble with the military government ruling.

Distribution agency First Hand Films presents the film as follows:

«Footage from the uprising in Burma screens on every channel. But who are the reporters behind the cameras? They are not looking for fame nor heroism, yet day after day they risk their life to show the world how life in the sealed off country really is».

The message is crystal clear. - When it is safe for us to go back and continue our work with the Democratic Voice of Burma in our country, we will leave immediately, Maung Win says.

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