Insurgent forces say they've taken control of central Myanmar's Mogoke

The last 4 junta camps in the gem-mining center fell on Wednesday, the Ta'ang National Liberation Army said.

Insurgent forces in Myanmar's Mandalay region have captured the gem-mining town of Mogoke from military junta forces, a Ta'ang National Liberation Army spokeswoman told Radio Free Asia on Wednesday.

The TNLA is part of an alliance of three ethnic minority insurgent forces that ended a five-month ceasefire on June 25 following weeks of junta aerial attacks.

Since then, the group has been fighting for territory in Mogoke and in Shan state's Nawnghkio, Kyaukme, Mongmit and Hsipaw townships.

The TNLA captured the west of Mogoke town on July 16, and has been fighting for control of the east since July 18.

On Wednesday, TNLA spokesperson Lway Yay Oo confirmed to RFA that the TNLA and its allied forces have seized control of the last four military junta camps in Mogoke.

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