President Thein Sein and his first Cabinet (31 March 2011).
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Big Six Political dialogue: President Thein Sein, Speaker Shwe Mann, Speaker Khin Aung Myint, Commander in Chief Senior General Min Aung Hlaing, Aung San Suu Kyi and Dr Aye Maung (Rakhine ethnic politician to represent ethnic parties) on 8 April 2015. They discussed free and fair elections, the peace process and constitutional amendments.
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President Thein Sein and President Obama during Mr Obama’s first visit to Myanmar, on 19 November 2012.

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President Thein Sein met Aung San Suu Kyi on 14 August 2011. This meeting opened the door for Aung San Suu Kyi and her NLD party to enter hluttaws, but some ruling USDP party leaders criticized Thein Sein’s decision.

President Thein Sein and Aung San Suu Kyi at the Presidential Palace.
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President Thein Sein and members of Egress after the president decided to meet with Aung San Suu Kyi (July 2011). Photo: Hla Maung Swee

President Thein Sein, Commander in Chief Senior General Min Aung Hlaing and Aung San Suu Kyi at the Presidential Palace. Photo: Ministry of Information

President Thein Sein and leaders of the Karen National Union during their informal meeting on the peace process. Photo: Ye Htut
President and First Lady waiting to vote on election day, 8 November 2015.
Photo: Ministry of Information

Transition of power on 30 March 2015. This was the first peaceful transfer of power from one elected government to another since Myanmar gained independence in 1948.
Meetings with local people were the happiest moments for President Thein Sein during his turbulent presidency.

Photos: Ye Htut
President Thein Sein and Speaker Shwe Mann at the Presidential Palace. Photo: Ministry of Information

President Thein Sein and Aung San Suu Kyi met on 2 December after the NLD election victory in November. Photo: Ministry of Information

Shwe Mann and Aung San Suu Kyi during one of their press conferences. Photo: J Maung Maung