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RANGOON (Reuters) - A former top general close to Burma's retired dictator Than Shwe resigned as vice-president, Burmese media reported, ending the hardliner's role in the reformist government.

Tin Aung Myint Oo, 61, submitted his resignation May 3 for health reasons after returning from Singapore for medical treatment, the Burma language service of Voice of America reported May 6.

The report could not be immediately confirmed.

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