

**THE NEW LIGHT OF MYANMAR (Wednesday 30 April, 1997)**

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- (1) Senior General Than Shwe sends felicitations to Queen Beatrix of the Netherlands**

YANGON, 30 April-Senior General Than Shwe, Chairman of the State Law and Order Restoration Council of the Union of Myanmar, has sent a message of felicitations to Her Majesty Queen ,Beatrix of the Netherlands, on the occasion of the Queen's Birthday which falls on 30 April, 1997.

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- (2) Secretary-1 receives members of Upper House of Japan**

YANGON, 29 April-Secretary-1 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt received six members of the Upper House of Japan led by Mr Ichiro Ichikawa at Dagon Yeiktha of the Ministry of Defence this evening.

Present were Minister for Foreign Affairs U Ohn Gyaw, Director-General of Protocol Department Thura U Aung Htet and Ambassador of Japan Mr Yoichi Yamaguchi.

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- (3) Construction of bridge across Pazundaung Creek coordinated**

YANGON, 29 April-A ordination meeting on Instruction of a bridge across the Pazundaung Creek was held at the Yangon City Development Committee meeting room No 4 at 2 pm today and it was attended by Secretary-l of the State Law and Restoration Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt, and heads of department and officials from SLORC.

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**(4) Myanmar making many significant steps for integration into ASEAN fold**

YANGON, 29 April-The opening ceremony of Myanmar-ASEAN Consultative Meeting on Myanmar's Integration into ASEAN was held at the Traders Hotel this morning, with an address by Minister for Foreign Affairs U Ohn Gyaw.

Present were directors general of ASEAN member countries' ASEAN Departments, one official of the ASEAN Secretariat and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of ASEAN member countries led by Director-General of the Malaysian ASEAN Department Dato Abdul Majid Ahmad Khan, Ambassadors of Vietnam, Laos, Thailand, the Philippines, Malaysia, Indonesia and Singapore, Charge d'Affaires of Brunei Embassy, officials of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and representatives of departments.

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**(5) Secretary-1 receives Radio France International correspondent**

YANGON, 29 April Secretary-1 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt received correspondent of Radio France International Ms Helen da Costa at Dagon Yeiktha of the Ministry of Defence this morning.

Minister for Foreign Affairs U Ohn Gyaw and Director-General of Protocol Department Thura U Aung Htet were also present.

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**(6) Minister for Forestry receives officials of Japanese corporations**

YANGON, 29 April Delegation led by vice-president of Tokiwa Corporation of Japan Mr Naoyuki Soga and General Manager of Kinsho Mataichi Corporation Mr H Hashimoto paid a courtesy call on Minister for Forestry Lt-Gen Chit Swe at his office this morning. Investments for mutual benefit were discussed.

Officials of departments and enterprises under the ministry were also present.

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**(7) Farmers urged to take full advantage of favourable conditions created by government and reciprocate**

YANGON, 29 April-Secretary-2 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Tin Oo, accompanied by Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation Lt-Gen Myint Aung, Minister for Communications, Posts and

Telegraphs U Soe Tha, Minister at the Office of the Prime Minister Brig-Gen Lun Maung, Deputy Minister for Energy U Tin Tun, Deputy Minister for Industry-2 U Thein Tun, heads of departments and officials of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Office, this morning left here by Tatmadaw aircraft and arrived at Bagan-NyaungU Airport at 10 pm.

The Secretary-2, ministers and party were welcomed by Chairman of Magway Division Law and Order Restoration Council Col Thein Nyunt, members of NyaungU District/Township Law and Order Restoration Councils, departmental personnel and members of Union Solidarity and Development Association.

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#### **(8) Oxygen plant commissioned at Dalla Shipyard**

YANGON, 29 April-The Oxygen Plant of Inland Water Transport of the Ministry of Transport at Dalla Shipyard was opened this morning and Minister for Transport Lt-Gen Thein Win delivered an address and unveiled the signboard of the plant together with Ministry for Industry-2 Maj-Gen Kyaw Than.

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#### **(9) LPDR Minister of Justice visits Defence Services Museum**

YANGON, 29 April Minister of Justice Mr Kham Ouan Boupcha and Mrs Vanmely Boupcha of Lao People's Democratic Republic and members visited Defence Services Museum this morning.

The minister and party were conducted round the museum by Deputy Director of Defence Services Museum and Historical Research Institute Lt-Col Khin Maung Kyi and officials.

They visited Myanmar Gems Museum on Kaba Aye Pagoda Road and signed in the visitors book and also visited Myanmar Gems Mart.

In the afternoon, Mrs Vanmely Boupcha visited Bogyoke Aung San Market.

The visiting minister called on Minister for National Planning and Economic Development Brig-Gen Abel at his office.

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#### **(10) Minister receives Ambassador of Italy**

YANGON, 29 April .s . Ambassador of Italy Dr Benito Volpi called on Minister for Forestry Lt-Gen Chit Swe at his office today.

They discussed strengthening of bilateral friendly ties environmental and forest conservation and cooperation in wood-based industries.

Officials of the ministry were also present.

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**(11) Golden Asia MD calls on Minister for H & T**

YANGON, 29 April -Minister for Hotels and Tourism Lt-Gen Kyaw Ba received Managing Director of Golden Asia Inter Co Ltd Mr Dhirah Taechalertpaisarn and party at his office today.

Construction of world class hotel in Tachilek Township, Shan State, was discussed.

Director-General of Directorate of Hotels and Tourism U Khin Maung Latt and Managing Director of Restaurant and Beverage Enterprise U Myo Min were also present.

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**(12) Minister for NPED receives Indonesia entrepreneurs**

YANGON, 29 April Indonesian entrepreneurs led by Chairman of PT Multi Satel Ekakama of Indonesia Mr Rahardjo Tjakraningrat paid a courtesy call on Minister for National Planning and Economic Development Brig-Gen Abel at his office this morning.

They discussed cooperation for mutual interest in Myanmar's mining, communications, textiles and pharmaceutical industries.

Officials of the ministry were also present.