

**THE NEW LIGHT OF MYANMAR (Saturday 24 May, 1997)**

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YANGON, 23 May-General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Vietnam (CPVCC) Mr Do Muoi and delegation members, on a goodwill visit here, paid homage to the Shwedagon this morning.

In the afternoon, Deputy Prime Minister of SRV Mr, Phan Van Khai, member of the SRV goodwill delegation members visited Myanma Gems Museum on Kaba Aye Pagoda Road where they were welcomed by Deputy Minister for Mines U Hlaing Win and officials concerned.

After viewing the gems and jewellery, Mr Phan Van Khai signed in the visitors book. He presented gifts to Deputy Minister U Hlaing Win.

The guests were taken on a tour of the Gems Mart. Deputy Minister U Hlaing Win presented gifts to Mr Phan Van Khai in the Gems Emporium Hall.

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- (2) Minister for H & T receives Ambassador of India**

YANGON, 23 May Minister for Hotels and Tourism Lt-Gen Kyaw Ba received Ambassador of India Mr Shyam Saran at his office today.

They discussed further strengthening of existing bilateral friendly relations, cooperation in tourism, arranging meetings between Myanmar and Indian tourism entrepreneurs and promotion of cross-border tourism and border trade.

Director-General of Directorate of Hotels and Tourism U Khin Mau Latt and Managing Director of Myanmar Hotels and Tourism Services U Soe Thein were also present.

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### **(3) Minister of Foreign Affairs of SRV calls on Myanmar counterpart**

YANGON, 23 May Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam Mr Nguyen Manh Cam who is accompanying the General Secretary of CPVCC of SRV called on Minister for Foreign Affairs U Ohn Gyaw at his office at 9.30 am today.

They discussed friendly relations and cooperation in foreign affairs.

Present also were Director-General U Khin Maung Win and Deputy Director General U Nyunt Maung Shein of the Political Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

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### **(4) Hai Lon Kuan Ming Hotel opens**

YANGON, 23 May Tourists who like to enjoy traditions, culture and foods of local people usually prefer small hotels or motels, which have more privacy than the world class hotels, said Minister for Hotels and Tourism Lt-Gen Kyaw Ba today.

Speaking at the opening of Hai Lon Kuan Ming Hotel, an 11-room modern facility owned by local businessmen, he indicated the developing market for motels run by Myanmar although more and more international-level hotels have been built in the nation.

Located at 481 Pyay Road, the hotel project was implemented with a capital of K 10 million within a year.

Tourists visit Myanmar in package tour groups or as independent travellers, he noted, adding businessmen and Myanmar living abroad also visit the nation.

Although most of package tour groups and foreign businessmen stay at international-level hotels, majority of independent travellers and some of foreign entrepreneurs choose small hotels or motels run by Myanmar, he revealed, saying the number of independent travellers and business travellers -to Myanmar exceed the number of tourists visiting the nation in package tour groups.

There are now 428 private, State-owned and foreign-owned hotel facilities with 9,910 rooms in the nation up from only 20 State owned hotels with 914 rooms before the present Government took over the State responsibilities, he said.

Local investments in the business amounted to nearly K 8.45 billion and \$ 4.9 million to date and foreign investments for a total of 42 projects has reached over \$ 1.63 billion, he said.

Lt-Gen Kyaw Ba and U Tin Sein, on behalf of the owner U Sai Aung, formally opened the hotel.

Director Daw Nang Kham Tip also unveiled the signboard.

No 3 Military Region Commander Col Saw Hla Min, directors-general and managing directors of departments and enterprises under the Ministry of Hotels and Tourism, local authorities, hoteliers and guests were also present.

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#### **(5) Minister for Livestock and Fisheries inspects poultry farm**

YANGON, 23 May Minister for Livestock and Fisheries U Aung Thaung arrived poultry farm of Livestock, Feed-stuff and Dairy Products Enterprise in Insein Township yesterday morning. Managing Director of Livestock, Feed-stuff and Dairy Products Enterprise U Maung Maung Nyunt and Manager U San Maung briefed the minister on poultry farming and laying egg.

The Minister inspected incubator and poultry farming and gave necessary suggestion.

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#### **(6) Heroin, opium oil seized in Nawnghkio bus terminal**

YANGON, 23 May - A combined group- comprising personnel of Military Intelligence Unit and Lashio antidrug squad checked buses for restricted goods at the entrance of Nawnghkio at 1 pm on 15 May.

They stopped bus IKha/ 6033 of Shwepyitha Bus Association coming from Kyaukme to Mandalay. They found four packets of heroin weighing about 1.0442 kilos and six packets of opium oil weighing about 2.645 kilos from a teak box which belonged to Aik Nyunt (a) Kyin Kyi Sein, 32, son of U Yan Yon Shin of Thanlyetmaw Ashe, Letthama Ward, Mandalay.

On further investigation, it was found that he left another wooden box at Kyaukme bus terminal. They seized the wooden box at Kyaukme bus terminal at noon on 16 May. They found 21 packets of opium oil weighing 7.5441 kilos inside it.

Action is being taken against Aik Nyunt under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.

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