THE NEW LIGHT OF MYANMAR (Tuesday 10 June, 1997)

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(1) Deputy Prime Minister receives Ambassador of Brunei Darussalem

YANGON, 9 June - On behalf of the Chairman of the State Law and Order Restoration Council, member of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Deputy Prime Minister Vice-Admiral Maung Maung Khin received Ambassador of Brunei Darussalem Mr Pehin Datu Pekerma Bijaya Kolonel Dato Paduka Haji Hussin bin Haji Sulaiman who has completed his tour of duty at Dagon Yeiktha at 10.30 am today.

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

(2) Deputy Prime Minister receives Ambassador of Russian Federation

YANGON, 9 June - On behalf of the Chairman of the State Law and Order Restoration Council, member of-the State Law and Order Restoration Council Deputy Prime Minister Lt-Gen Tin Tun received Ambassador of the Russian Federation Mr Valeri V Nazarov who has completed his tour of duty at Dagon Yeiktha at 9.30 am today.

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

(3) MIDB Board of Directors holds meeting No 4/97

YANGON, 9 June - The meeting No 4/97 of the Board of Directors of Myanma Industrial Development Bank was held at the meeting hall of the bank on Pansodan Street today.

Chairman of Myanma Industrial Development Committee Chairman of Myanma Industrial Development Bank Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation Lt-Gen Myint Aung addressed the meeting.

Present also were Chairman of Myanma Industrial Development Work

Committee Vice-Chairman of the Bank Minister for Industry2 Maj-Gen Kyaw Than and members of the Board of Directors, the managing director of the bank and officials.

(4) Under-Secretary of Foreign Affairs of the Philippines arrives

YANGON, 9 June - At the invitation of Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyunt Swe, Under-Secretary of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of the Philippines Mr Rodolfo C Severino arrived here by air this afternoon.

He was welcomed at the airport by Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyunt Swe, officials of Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ambassador of the Republic of the Philippines Mrs Sonia C Brady and embassy staff.

He paid a courtesy call on Alini6ter for Foreign Affairs U Ohn Gyaw at his office at 4 pm today.

Present also were Deputy Minister U Nyunt Swe and Ambassador of the Republic of the Philippines Mrs Sonia C Brady.

Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyunt Swe hosted dinner in his honour at the Trader, Hotel this evening.

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(5) May Flower Bank introduces new generation ATM

YANGON, 9 June - Myanmar May Flower Bank Ltd explained extension of its international banking services and introduction of new system of automatic teller machines in Yangon today.

Under new system people can draw FECs from the new ATMs.

The ceremony at May Flower Bank at 9th Mile, Pyay Road, Mayangon Township, was attended by Minister for Finance and Revenue Brig-Gen Win Tin, Governor of the Central Bank of Myanmar U Kyi Aye, media persons and officials.

Chairman of May Flower Bank Ltd U Kyaw Win briefed the guests on developments of the bank and services, saying it has initiated international banking system since 23 July 1996.

It now has connections with 26 banks in Singapore, the United States of America, Malaysia, France, Japan, Hong Kong, the Netherlands, Thailand, the United Kingdom, the Philippines, Indonesia, Vietnam, Denmark, India, Italy, Cyprus, the Republic of Korea, Germany, Australia, New Zealand, Finland, Sweden, Pakistan, Switzerland, Greece and Bangladesh.

Two-hundred-twenty company accounts, 657 individual accounts and 217 joint accounts totalling 1,099 accounts are opened at the bank which has eleven branches nation wide, he said.

U Kyaw Win and wife Daw Khin Kyi then donated K 1.2 million second donation to upgrade Myitzu Street in Yankin Township.

(6) Ambassadors and Military Attaches of embassies in Yangon briefed on Myanma gems

YANGON, 9 June-Ambassadors and Military Attaches of embassies in Yangon were briefed on Myanma gems at the .Myanma Gems Emporium Hall on Kaba Aye Pagoda. Road this morning.

Present were Deputy Ministers for Mines U Hlaing Win and U Myint Thein, Deputy Leader of the Information Committee of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Director of Public Relations and Psy-chological Warfare Brig-Gen Aung Thein, Information Committee member U Tin Kha, Managing Director of News and Periodicals Enterprise, Director-General of the International Organizations and Economic Department, U Ba Thwin and officials, Patron of Foreign Correspondents Club U Sein Win, President of the Club U Sao Kai Hpa and members, Ambassadors and Military Attaches led by Ambassador of Bangladesh Brigadier Chowdhury Khalequzzaman (Retd), Managing Director of Myanmar Gems Enterprise U Khin Oo, the directors-general and managing directors of the Ministry of Mines and officials.

(7) Forest plantations should be set up to develop wood-based industries

YANGON, 9 June More forest plantations should be set up as private wood-based industries are developing in the nation, stated Minister for forestry Lt-Gen Chit Swe today.

Myanma Timber enterprise must modernize its wood-based industries produce finished goods which have the quality to penetrate international market, he said at the annual meeting to review accomplishments in 1996-97 and to draw work prefect for 1997-98 of production division of Myanma Timber Enterprise.

(8) Minister for NPED receives President Director of PT Astra Graphia Tbk Business Group Information Technology

YANGON, 9 June Minister for National Planning and Economic Development Brig-Gen Abel received President Director of PT Astra Graphia Tbk Business Group Information Technology of Indonesia Mr Inget Sembiring at his office at 10 am today.

They discussed building of information technology infrastructure in computing and communications, application of electronic mail and workflow as the enabling technology for personal productivity and use of internet and intranet in information sharing.

Present also were Director-General of Central Statistical Organization Dr Sein Tin and officials.

(9) Minister for Energy receives G M of Sumitomo Corporation

YANGON, 9 June Minister for Energy U Khin Maung Thein received General Manager of Sumitomo Corporation Mr Y Mizutani and party at his office this afternoon.

They discussed mutual cooperation and investment in energy sector. Director-General of Energy Planning Department U Soe Myint was also present.

(10) Minister for Hotels and Tourism receives Director of JMFA

YANGON, 9 June-Member of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Minister for Hotels and Tourism Lt-Gen Kyaw Ba received Director Mr Koichi Oka of Japan-Myanmar Friendship Association of Japan at his office this afternoon.

Mr Koichi Oka presented a letter of greetings sent by Chairman of the Association Mr Koichi Tsukamoto to the minister.

He said the association is over twenty years old and was formed with a view to further strengthening friendly relations between the two countries, expanding cooperation, promoting understanding, providing assistance in social work, exchanging experience and views, preserving cultural heritage.

He also said about 30 entrepreneurs led by the chairman will come to Myanmar in November and expressed his desire to form Myanmar-Japan Friendship Association in Myanmar.

The minister said the aim of the association is to render better assistance to the entrepreneurs during their stay in Myanmar.

Present also were Director-General of Directorate of Hotels and Tourism U Khin Maung Latt and officials.

(11) Revenue and Accounts Management Instructor Course No 1/97 concludes

YANGON, 9 June-The Revenue and Accounts Management Instructor Course No 1/97 of the Development Affairs Department of the Ministry for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs concluded at the central Training School of the Ministry of Construction in Thuwunna this morning.

Minister for Progress of Borderf Areas and National Races and Development Affairs Lt-Gen Maung Thint addressed the concussion. Present were Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement Maj-Gen Soe Myint, Minister at the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister U Khin Maung Yin, Vice-Chairman of Yangon City Development Committee Vice-Mayor Col Maung Pa, Deputy Minister U Kyaw Tin, heads of departments and officials.