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(1) Excerpts from Senior General Than Shwe's guidance to be published soon

YANGON, 8 Oct-The State Law and Order Restoration Council Office will soon publish a collection of guidance (excerpts) given by Chairman of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Than Shwe between 1992 and 1995.

The book printed by the Printing and Publishing Enterprise includes guidance of the Senior General Than Shwe given during his inspection tours of States and Divisions and worksites of various ministries, in the messages on the days of national significance and at the ceremonies and coordination meetings.

The Senior General's guidance deals with areas such as building of a peaceful, prosperous, modern and developed nation, strength-ening national solidarity, ensuring the rule of law and community peace and tranquillity, expediting economic growth of the nation, development of agriculture sector, safeguarding forest resources, development of industrial sector, uplift of national prestige and integrity and uplift of dynamism of patriotic spirit, ensuring secure and smooth transportation, uplift of education standards, the need for the government employees to work hard, development of border areas and national races, preservation of cultural heritage and union solidarity and development.

Copies of the book will be on sale soon at the State Law and Order Restoration Council Office at 1, Zawgyi Street in Kamayut Township and at the bookshop of the News and Periodicals Enterprise at 212, Theinbyu Street.

(2) Secretary-1 views Thabin contest

YANGON, 8 Oct-Patron of Leading Committee for Organizing the Fifth Myanmar Traditional Performing Arts Competitions Secretary-1 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt viewed Thuwunnashan play performed by Thabin troupe led by Nan Win of Yangon Division at Thabin

contest at the National Theatre this evening.

The ministers, the commander of Yangon Command, the deputy ministers, Ambassador of Japan and enthusiasts also viewed the Thabin contest.

(3) Minister inspects preparations for World Food Day Exhibition

YANGON, 8 Oct-Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation Lt-Gen Myint Aung, accompanied by Deputy Minister Brig-Gen Khin Maung and officials, this morning visited the Myepadetha Park, venue of the World Food Day Exhibition, and inspected preparations for the occasion.

The Minister and party were briefed on progress of work by various working groups. They later inspected the hall where the opening ceremony will-take place, exhibition booths and patches of crops.

Statistics, charts, photographs and scale models contributing to the motto, Investing for Food Security will be on display on the World Food Day on 16 October.

(4) Ambassador of Bangladesh calls on Minister for Home Affairs

YANGON, 8 Oct-Ambassador of the People's Republic of Bangladesh Mr Jahangir Saadat called on member of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Minister for Home Affairs Lt-Gen Mya Thin at his office this evening.

Present were Deputy Minister for Home Affairs Col Tin Hlaing, Director-General of Prisons Department U Kyaw Tun and Head of Office U Man Maung.

(5) Ambassador of PRC calls on Minister for Mines

YANGON, 8 Oct-Ambassador of the People's Republic of China Mr Liang Dong called on Member of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Minister for Mines Lt-Gen Kyaw Min at his office this afternoon.

Present were Deputy Ministers for Mines U Hlaing Win- and U Myint Thein and officials.

(6) Indonesia course trainees honoured

YANGON, 8 Oct-Three Myanmar trainees, who had completed 26-month radio and aviation control course in Indonesia under Myanmar-Indonesia friendship and cooperation promotion programme, were honoured at the Ministry of Transport this afternoon.

Minister for Transport Lt-Gen Thein Win attended the ceremony to honour the three, Maung Kyaw Thu and Maung Aung Soe Moe of Myanma Airways and Maung Kyaw Zin Oo of Department of Civil Aviation.

Ambassador of Indonesia Maj-Gen (Police) A Poerwanto Lenggono, Military Attache of Indonesian Embassy Col Hary Banbamg Poelnomo, Managing Director of MA Lt-Col Aung Nyunt and officials of the ministry were also present.

(7) National Convention Convening Commission meets

YANGON, 8 Oct-National Convention Convening Commission held its meeting at the hall of the commission this afternoon.

Present were Chairman of National Convention Convening Commission Lt-Gen Myo Nyunt, Vice-Chairmen Lt-Gen Maung Thint and Brig-Gen Myo Thant and members.

National Convention Convening Work Committee and Management Committee reported on the National Convention and commission members presented suggestions.

Lt-Gen Myo Nyunt took part in the discussions and the meeting ended with the concluding remarks by the Chairman.

(8) UNICEF's 1997 Greeting Card Operation (GCO) Campaign launched

YANGON, 8 Oct - The United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) and the United Nations Women's Association (UNWA) jointly launched the 1997 Greeting Card Operation (GCO) Campaign at a ceremony held this morning at the Strand Hotel in Yangon. The Launching Ceremony opened with the video presentation entitled "Children: Gems of Myanmar" after which the UNICEF Representative in Myanmar Dr Juan Aguilar, and the President of UNWA Mrs Zuzana Das delivered welcoming remarks in which they explained that every year UNICEF launches the fund-raising GCO campaign on a global scale, and that the net proceeds of the GCO sales are used to finance projects for the welfare and development of world's children. The net proceeds of the GCO sales in Myanmar will be used in funding projects for Myanmar children.

Entertainment programmes were next presented by the school children of the International School in Yangon and by Myanmar school children under the Department of Social Welfare. The GCO sale of cards and gift items for 1997 was then formally opened by the movie celebrity Eindra Kyaw Zin after which the guests inspected and procured the displayed cards and gift items.

Regular sale of the 1997 GCO cards and gift items will commence on 15 October 1997 - at UNICEF office, 615 (E) Marlar Lane, Pyay Road, Kamayut and at UNDP office, No 6, Natmauk Road, Yangon, on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9:30 am to 4:00 pm.

The launching ceremony was attended by members of the diplomatic corps in Yangon, Government counterparts, Representatives of NGOs in Yangon and United Nations personnel.

(9) Second and third batches of Myanmar sports contingent leave for Jakarta

YANGON, 8 Oct-The second batch of Myanmar sports contingent led by Vice-Quartermaster-General Brig-Gen Thein Tun on 6 October left for Jakarta to participate in XIX SEA Games.

The contingent comprises 127 athletes from men's and women's volleyball, Sepak Takraw, table tennis, Taekwondo, gymnastics and bowling and billiards teams, information and medical groups and managers.

They were seen off at the airport by Chairman of Myanmar Olympic Committee Minister for Sports Brig-Gen Sein Win, Vice-Chairman Vice Adjutant-General

Brig-Gen Than Tun, Director-General of Sports and Physical Education
Department Col Hla Myint Kyaw, Deputy Director-General Lt-Col Thein Aung,
Adviser Col Ngo Ciin Pau, President of Myanmar 51 Women's Sports Federation
and officials.

Third batch of Myanmar sports contingent led by Secretary of Myanmar Olympic
Committee Col Hla Myint Kyaw left here yesterday evening for Jarkata.

The third batch includes 123 athletes from men's and women's archery, taing,
badminton, boxing, and track and field, weightlifting and judo teams
information and medical groups and managers.

(10) Agreement for opening duty free shops in Myanmar signed

YANGON, 8 Oct-MITIC Holdings Ltd (Hong Kong), MITIC Ltd (Myanmar) and Soe
Thwin Tun Co Ltd today held a signing ceremony at the Summit Parkview Hotel
for opening Duty Free Shops at the Yangon International Airport, Port, City
Centre in Yangon and in border towns.

It was attended by Chairman Mr Wong Mau Hung, Managing director Mr Simon Chan
and Director Mr Segawa Tado of MITIC Holdings Ltd (Hong Kong), Director Mr
Charlie Chiu of MITIC Ltd (Myanmar) and Managing Director Daw Thi Thi Tun and
officials of Soe Thwin Tun Co Ltd.

Mr Wong Mau Hung, Mr Charlie Chiu and Daw Thi Thi Tun signed the agreement for
opening duty free shops in Myanmar.

(11) MMCWA meets

YANGON, 8 Oct President of Myanmar Maternal and Child Welfare Association
Professor Daw Kyu Kyu Swe, Vice-President Dr Khin Win Shwe and Central
Executive Committee members met patrons of State/Division MCWA Supervisory
Committees and patrons of MCWA at Hotel Equatorial this afternoon.

The president and the vice-president gave speeches.

Participants presented suggestions and requirements.

CEC members attended to their needs.

(12) University admission forms to be issued on 14 Oct

YANGON, 8 Oct-Students who passed the Basic Education High School Examination
held in 1996 in the A List may obtain their University admission guide books,
application forms and mark certificates from supervisors of the examinations
centres concerned at K 60 per set beginning 14 October.

Those who passed the BEHS examinations before 1996 in the A List and have not
applied for university admission are to obtain the guide book and application
forms from supervisors of the examination centres concerned at K 60 per set
to apply for admission to the University of Distance Education or Workers
College or Mandalay University Evening Classes.

Course graduates of University for Development of National Races who would like to seek admission to the University of Distance Education are to obtain the guide book and application forms from the Offices of State/Division Education Officers at K 60 per set.

The students are to send in their applications attached with original mark certificates to the Higher Education Department on Thaton Road, Yangon, not later than Tuesday, 4 November 1997
