### THE NEW LIGHT OF MYANMAR (Thursday, 13 Nov 1997)

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(1) Senior General Than Shwe receives ASEAN Secretary-General

YANGON, 12 Nov Chairman of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Than Shwe received ASEAN Secretary-General Dato Ajit Singh at Dagon Yeiktha of the Ministry of Defence this morning.

Present were Vice-Chairman of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Commander-in-Chief (Army) General Maung Aye, Secretary-1 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt, Secretary-2 Lt-Gen Tin Oo, Minister for National Planning and Economic Development Brig-Gen Abel, Minister for Foreign Affairs U Ohn Gyaw and Director-General of Protocol Department Thura U Aung Htet.

(2) General Maung Aye receives Commander of Lanzhou Military Command of Chinese People's Liberation Army

YANGON, 12 Nov Vice-Chairman of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Commander-in-chief (Army) General Maung Aye received goodwill delegation led by Commander of Lanzhou Military Command of the Chinese People's Liberation Army General Liu Jingsong and members at Zeya Thiri Beikman on Konmyinttha at 8 am today. Present also were Secretary-1 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Chief of the Office of Strategic Studies and Director of Defence Services Intelligence Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt, Secretary-2 Chief of Bureau of Special Operations Chief of Staff (Army) Lt-Gen Tin Oo, Commander-in-Chief (Navy) Vice-Admiral Tin Aye, Commander-in-Chief (Air) Lt-Gen Tin Ngwe, Commander of Yangon Command Maj-Gen Khin Maung Than, Director of Artillery and Armour Brig-Gen Lun Thi, Ambassador of PRC Mr Liang Dong and Military Attache Senior Col He Yaokui.

## (3) Communications sector advances to packet switching

YANGON, 12 Nov - Packet switching of the Mayangon Computer Communication Exchange of the Ministry of Communications, Posts and Telegraphs was inaugurated at the above exchange this morning attended by Secretary-2 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Tin Oo.

Also present were Minister for Mines Lt-Gen Kyaw Min, Minister for Hotels and Tourism Lt-Gen Kyaw Ba, Minister for Communications, Posts and Telegraphs U Soe Tha, Minister for Finance and Revenue Brig-Gen Win Tin, Secretary of Myanmar Investment Commission Minister at the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister Brig-Gen Maung Maung, Minister at the Office of the Prime Minister Brig-Gen Lun Maung, Minister for Rail Transportation U Win Sein, Minister for Science and Technology U Thaung, Mayor of Yangon U Ko Lay, Deputy Minister for Energy U Tin Tun, guests and officials of Myanma Posts and Telecommunications.

(4) Minister for A&I inspects Nyaungbintha Sugar Mill Project

YANGON 12 Nov-Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation Lt-Gen Myint Aung inspected reclamation of land to put under sugarcane near Tumaung village in Kyauktaga Township, yesterday.

Officials of Myanma Sugarcane Enterprise briefed him on preparations being made to put over 3,700 acres under sugarcane in the area to supply raw materials to a new sugar mill which is under construction at Nyaungbintha village, Pyu Township, and requirements.

The minister stressed the need to begin cultivation next month and to apply systematic methods and machines to yield 30 tons per acre.

He also attended to- the needs of local farmers.

At a farm of Myanma Farm Enterprise near Nyaungbintha village, he observed mechanized harvesting and threshing of monsoon paddy, capacity of harvesters, mechanized ploughing and cultivating of sugarcane.

He inspected building of sugar silos, sugar mill and warehouses at Nyaungbintha Sugar Mill Project.

Officials explained points of the project.

The minister met officials of MSE and attended to their needs in implementing the project.

It will have a capacity to mill 1,500 tons per day when completed. In Zeyawady Township, he inspected Ngamwechaung Dam Project. Project Director briefed him on completion of the 2,500 acre-feet storage capacity dam to irrigate sugarcane fields in the area.

At Zeyawady Sugar Mill, he inspected milling, production processes and quality control.

The mill started production season on 31 October.

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# (5) Construction Minister inspects bridge projects

YANGON, 12 NOV Minister for Construction Maj-Gen Saw Tun inspected construction of a detour road on Pathein-Monywa Highway (Seikpyu-Pakokku section) between 26/7 mile post and 34/1 mile post yesterday.

Accompanied by Chief Engineer (Road/Bridge) of Public Works U Thant Zin and officials, he heard a report on progress of work in implementing the project.

He attended to the needs in supplying heavy equipment.

At Yaw Creek Bridge (Kandwin) Project, he stressed the need to take measures for the bridge's duration.

In Seikpyu Township, he inspected Anawrahta Bridge (Chauk) Project.

Project officials briefed him on progress of work.

The minister urged them to strive with greater momentum in building the bridge and made arrangements to supply heavy equipment to the project.

He called for efforts to ensure worksite safety and to hand down experiences and techniques to new generation engineers.

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# (6) Chinese PLA delegation concludes visit

YANGON, 12 Nov - Chief of Bureau of Special Operation Chief of Staff (Army) Lt-Gen Tin Oo saw off the delegation led by Commander of Lanzhou Military Command of People's Liberation Army of the People's Republic of China General Liu Jingsong on its departure for home this afternoon after paying a goodwill visit here.

The delegation was also seen off by Commander of Yangon Command Maj-Gen Khin Maung Than, Chief of Staff (Navy) Commodore Nyunt Thein, Chief of Staff

(Air) Brig-Gen Kyaw Than, Director of Artillery and Armour Brig-Gen Lun Thi, Commander of Mingaladon Air Base Brig-Gen Ba Htay Chit, Commander of Military Region No 1 Col Thaik Tlin onol Amhassador of PRC Mr Liang Dong and Military Attache Senior Col He Yaokui.

The Chinese delegation visited Myanma Gems Museum and Bogyoke Aung San Market vesterday, accompanied by Brig-Gen Lun Thi.

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#### (7) Minister for Commerce inspects rice mills in Bago Division

YANGON, 12 Nov-Minister for Commerce Lt-Gen Tun Kyi inspected 100-ton Rice Mill No 535 in Kyauktaga Township, Bago Division, yesterday afternoon.

He was accompanied by Managing Director U Thein Myint of Myanma Agricultural Produce Trading.

The minister met divisional and township MAPT officials at the mill and instructed them to prepare for purchase of paddy for this year.

General Manager U Moe Paw conducted him around the mill.

The minister also gave instructions on systematic storage of rice and minimizing loss and wastage in milling rice and attended to the needs.

The minister then inspected repair of machines and storage and transport of rice at 100-ton Rice Mill No 505 and gave instructions. He also inspected 100ton Rice Mill No 92 and Bran Oil Mill No 08 in Nyaunglaybin.

#### (8) ASEAN Business Forum Mission meets MCCI members

YANGON, 12 N ov-The 43-member ASEAN Business Forum Mission led by ASEAN Secretary-General Dato Ajit Singh and Ministry of National Planning and Economic Development jointly organized a meeting with Executive Committee members of the Union of Myanmar Chamber of Commerce and Industry and about 100 entrepreneurs at the Sedona Hotel this morning.

Executive Director of the ASEAN Business Forum Mission Mr Khoo Hock Aung delivered an introductory speech.

ASEAN Secretary-General Dato Ajit Singh also spoke and introduced members of the mission to the hosts.

The ASEAN Secretary-General led the discussions with members of MCCI on private sector in ASEAN economic cooperation.

Chairman of MCCI U Khin Maung Yi thanked the guests.

#### (9) Minister inspects poultry farm of LBVD, factories of Ceramic Industries

YANGON, 12 Nov Acting Minister for Industry-1 and Minister for Livestock and Fisheries U Aung Thaung inspected the poultry farm established for welfare of service personnel of Livestock Breeding and Veterinary Department in

Kyanikan Village, Patheingyi Township, Mandalay Division, on 10 November morning.

He was accompanied by Managing Director of Myanma Foodstuff Industries and Myanma Pharmaceutical Industries U Kyaw Myint and Managing Director of Ceramic Industries U Aye Mauk.

Head of Mandalay Division LBVD U Tin Hla explained to the minister facts about the poultry farm.

The minister gave instruction on extension of the farm.

The minister and party then inspected Brick Factory No 3 of Ceramic Industries in Madaya Township and gave instructions on boosting of productivity for meeting the set targets and reducing of expenses. He also inspected Branch 2 of Marble Factory in the township where U Aye Mauk and officials briefed him on production of marble slabs.

The minister gave instructions to meet the target, apply innovated means to produce quality marble slabs to earn foreign exchange and take preventive measures for worksite safety.

He also inspected Amarapura Tobacco Factory in Chanmyathazi Township and the site for construction of Mandalay Division LBVD Office building.

# (10) LPDR Politburo member and delegation arrive

YANGON, 12 Nov Member of the Political Bureau Central Committee President of Lao National Construction Front Mr Oudon Khathiya and delegation of the Lao People's Democratic Republic arrived here by air at 6.45 pm today at the invitation of Minister for Religious Affairs Lt-Gen Myo Nyunt.

Mr Oudon Khathiya and delegation were welcomed at the Yangon International Airport by Minister for Religious Affairs Lt-Gen Myo Nyunt, Deputy Minister U Aung Khin, Director-General of Religious Affairs Department U Arnt Maung, Director-General of the Department for Promotion and Propagation of the Sasana U Sann Lwin, LPDR Ambassador Mr Ly Bounkham, Adviser at the Ministry of Religious Affairs U Sao Htun Hmat Win and officials.

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