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**Ecosystems increasingly being threatened in many parts of the world  
Myanmar's seas contain bountiful supply of fish and pearls and minerals, rich  
mangrove forests and pristine beaches**

## **World Environment Day observed at MICT Park**

YANGON, 5 June— The 2004 World Environment Day, organized by National Commission for Environment Affairs, was observed at Myanmar Information and Communication Technology Park in Hline Township at 9 am today, with an address by Prime Minister General Khin Nyunt. Also present on the occasion were the ministers, the chief justice, the attorney-general, the Yangon mayor, deputy ministers, members of the National Commission for Environment Affairs, the president and members of Myanmar

Women's Affairs Federation, officials of the State Peace and Development Council Office, departmental heads, diplomats of foreign missions, resident representatives of UN agencies and officials, the president of Myanmar Foreign Correspondents Club and members, winners in the World Environment Day commemorative poster and painting contests and guests.

First, Prime Minister General Khin Nyunt delivered an address. He said:

The nations around the world hold special events on

World Environment Day to highlight the important role of the natural environment in supporting and sustaining human life. I am happy that we in Myanmar are also marking this important day.

Since the advent of mankind on Earth, we human beings have harnessed the forces of nature to improve our well-being. From the primitive stone age to the present information age, human ingenuity and hard work have brought about tremendous economic and social developments.

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*Prime Minister General Khin Nyunt addresses the ceremony to mark 2004 World Environment Day.—MNA*



## **Prime Minister attends friendly golf tournament of Singapore Association of Myanmar and dinner**

YANGON, 5 June— Prime Minister General Khin Nyunt attended the prize-presentation ceremony of the 11th

anniversary friendly golf tournament of Singapore Association of Myanmar and the dinner reception at Dusit

Inya Lake Hotel here at 7 pm today.

Also present on the occasion were Yangon Division

Peace and Development Council Chairman Yangon Command Commander Maj-Gen Myint

Swe, the ministers, the deputy ministers, ambassadors of foreign embassies, Singaporean Ambassador to Myanmar Mr Simon Tensing de Cruz and embassy staff, officials of the State Peace and Development Council office and SAM and those of companies who gave assistance for the tournament and guests.

First, SAM Chairman Mr Teddy Chia extended greetings and Golf Tournament Organizing Committee Chairman Mr David Teng explained the purpose of the tournament.

Next, the Singaporean ambassador spoke words of thanks and presented K 4 million for Myanmar Education Committee to MEC Chairman Prime Minister General Khin Nyunt. Then the dinner was hosted to those present.

Officials presented prizes to Mr Victor Seah who won

the first prize in the division-A, Dr Mya Oo who won the first in the division-B and Miss Chan Chan who won the first in the women's event and other prize winners. The tournament was also sponsored by Tiger, Accel Int'l Co Ltd, Air Mandalay, Rothmans of Pall Mall Myanmar, Pan-West, Grand Mee Yahta and Singaporean companies in Myanmar.

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*Prime Minister General Khin Nyunt attends the dinner to mark 11th friendly golf tournament of Singapore Association of Myanmar.—MNA*

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## PERSPECTIVES

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### Accelerate production of medicines and doing research

The State Peace and Development Council has been enlisting the strength of the entire people in an attempt to build up a modern and developed nation capable of catching up with the world nations.

In this regard, the Government is putting thoroughly a national objective on health into motion — uplift of health and fitness of the entire nation.

Nowadays, the Government has been taking effective measures for such community health care concerns as building or upgrading of hospitals, health care centres and specialist hospitals the length and breadth of the nation including far-flung areas.

Research works and pharmaceutical production play a vital role in raising the health standard of the people and enhancing the medical science.

Vice-Chairman of the National Health Committee Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Soe Win inspected the Development Centre for Pharmaceutical Technology and the Myanma Pharmaceutical Factory under the Myanma Pharmaceutical Industries of the Ministry of Industry-1 on 4 June 2004.

Accompanied by officials of the State Peace and Development Council Office, the Secretary-1 looked into medicines produced by various units and industrial use micro-organism. The Secretary-1 and party also inspected sample products and production process at the Injection Unit and the Vaccine Production Unit. The Secretary-1 held discussions and gave instructions to officials concerned.

The Development Centre for Pharmaceutical Technology, which is made up of Medical Research Unit, Fermentation Research Unit, Herbal Plants Research Unit, and Methodological Research and Quality Control Unit, is achieving success in doing research. It has disseminated the new facts, information and methods on production of medicines to the Myanma Pharmaceutical Factory, which manufactures medical products with the permission of the Ministry of Health.

The Myanma Pharmaceutical Factory has been producing and distributing various kinds of tablets, pills, capsules, liquid, lotion, powder, vaccine and other forms of medicines. Thanks to the efforts and innovative measures of its staff, now the factory is able to produce 184 kinds of modern medicines and 16 kinds of traditional medicines.

Officials concerned are thus urged to make greater endeavours in manufacturing modern medicines and doing research so as to provide better community health care services to the people.

### Film entertainments to National Convention delegates at Nyaungnabin Camp

YANGON, 5 June — The Entertainment and Welfare Subcommittee of the National Convention Convening Management Committee organizes entertainment programmes for delegates to the National Convention daily at the gymnasium of Nyaungnabin Camp.

Yesterday evening, the delegates were entertained with a film entitled "Thamee Maik" (naughty daughter) directed by Khin Maung Oo & Soe Thein Htut and starred by Lwin Moe, Htet Htet Moe Oo and May Than Nu.

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### People's Desire

- \* Oppose those relying on external elements, acting as stooges, holding negative views
- \* Oppose those trying to jeopardize stability of the State and progress of the nation
- \* Oppose foreign nations interfering in internal affairs of the State
- \* Crush all internal and external destructive elements as the common enemy



Commander Maj-Gen Myint Swe delivers an address at the work co-ordination meeting. — YGN COMMAND

### Meeting to ensure secure and smooth transport of Yangon City held

YANGON, 5 June — Yangon Division Supervisory Committee for Ensuring Secure and Smooth Transport held a coordination meeting at the hall of All Bus-line Control Committee (Yangon Division) in Tamway Township this evening, attended by Chairman of the Supervisory Committee Chairman of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Maj-Gen Myint Swe.

Also present on the occasion were military region

commanders, divisional authorities, members of the supervisory committee, registrars and officials of universities and colleges in Yangon, chairmen of bus lines and guests. First, the commander gave a speech. The supervisory committee members, the registrars and officials and bus line chairmen participated in the discussions for convenient travelling of passengers and supervisory works.

Next, the commander gave necessary instructions and fulfilled the requirements. — MNA



Minister Maj-Gen Hla Tun formally unveils the signboard of Myanma Economic Bank (Shwedaung Branch). F & R

### F & R Minister attends opening of MEB (Shwedaung Branch)

YANGON, 5 June — An opening ceremony of Myanma Economic Bank (Shwedaung Branch) was held at Shwedaung Township, Pyay District, this morning, attended by Minister for Finance and Revenue Maj-Gen Hla Tun, Chairman of Bago Division (West) Peace and Development Council Col Hla Min, Managing Director of MEB Col Hsan Tun, Director-General of Internal Revenue Department U Win Naing and officials.

First, the minister and Chairman of Bago Division (West) Peace and Development Council Col Hla Min gave speeches. Afterwards, MEB Managing Director Col Hsan Tun presented souvenirs to the minister and the Chairman of Bago Division (West) Peace and Development Council. Later, the minister formally unveiled the signboard of Shwedaung branch and the minister and officials inspected the new building. — MNA

### Development works inspected

YANGON, 5 June — Director-General of the Development Affairs Department Col Myo Myint, accompanied by officials concerned arrived at Myingyan and inspected the construction of pavements and planting of shady trees along Myingyan-Mandalay Road recently. He proceeded to Kyaukse and attended the ceremony to plant trees along Zawgyi circular road there. He also inspected the greening tasks, supply of water and water supply stations there. The director-general next went to Pyin Oo Lwin and inspected town beautification works and measures for ensuring proper flow of water in drainages. He also inspected the Thabyay Yay gravel road at Thabyay village. The road is 4 miles 1 furlong long and built at K 33.48 million contributed by the State. He also inspected the works for ensuring proper flow of water in drainages along Mandalay-Lashio road. — MNA

### Drug traffickers sentenced

YANGON, 5 June — A combined team comprising members of local intelligence unit and Tachilek Special Anti-Drug Squad, acting on information, on 12 November 2003, searched the house of Ar Sein of No 2/31 in Hsamsai Ward (B), Tachilek and arrested him together with 5,600 WY brand stimulant tablets. The Tachilek Police Station filed a lawsuit against Ar Sein, son of U Aik Lwan of No 2/31 of Hsamsai Ward (B) in Tachilek under Sections 15/19 (A) of Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law. He was sentenced to 25 years' imprisonment by Tachilek District Court under Section 19 (A) on 6 February 2004.

Similarly, a combined team comprising members of local intelligence unit, Bago Special Anti-Drug Squad and Bago Police Station searched Daw Mya Kyi and Ma San Aye on the bus with number plate 4B/4648 at Polan check-point in Bago on 31 July 2003 and seized 3.2 kilos of marijuana. Action was taken against Daw Mya Kyi, daughter of U Aung Thet and Ma San Aye, daughter of U Win Maung at Mwedaw village in Kyaukkyi Township under Sections 15/19(A) /21 of Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law. Bago District Court handed down 20 years' imprisonment on Daw Mya Kyi under Section 19(A) of the law and 5 years' imprisonment and 20 years' imprisonment to serve separately on Ma San Aye under Section 15 and Section 19 (A) of the law on 19 February 2004.

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**Don't smoke**





A protestor with a woman on his shoulders strolls through Piazza Venezia past a line of riot police during anti-war demonstrations in Rome on 4 June, 2004. Thousands of armed police lined the streets of the Italian capital on Friday as activists gathered to protest against the visiting President George W Bush and the US-led occupation of Iraq. —INTERNET

## Five US soldiers killed, 5 wounded in Baghdad attack

**BAGHDAD, 4 June—**Five US soldiers were killed and five wounded on Friday when their vehicles were attacked in east Baghdad, the US military said.

The 10 soldiers were members of Task Force Baghdad, which is made up primarily of the Texas-based 1st Cavalry Division, said division spokesman Army Lt Col James Hutton.

The vehicles came under attack shortly after 1 pm on Palestine Street near the Shiite district of Sadr City. Video from *Associated Press Television News* showed the burning wreckage of a Humvee and a huge plume of black smoke rising from the mangled vehicle.

At least three bodies, apparently of US soldiers, lay on the ground nearby.

About six other American soldiers were seen loading

the bodies onto another Humvee and guarding the site.

Also Friday, American and Shiite militia forces agreed to withdraw from the holy cities of Najaf and Kufa and turn over security to Iraqi police, the governor of Najaf Province said.

However, hours after the withdrawal was scheduled to begin, there was no sign that fighters loyal to Muqtada al-Sadr had pulled back. Fighters told *The Associated Press* they had not been given orders to leave but had been asked to conceal their weapons.

In another Friday incident, unknown gunmen attacked a

US Army patrol in Baghdad near the Shiite district of Sadr City, and the 1st Cavalry Division said four soldiers were wounded. It was unclear whether the attackers were al-Sadr's forces or Sunni Muslim guerrillas. —*Internet*



US Army troops lie on the ground near a burning Humvee vehicle following an attack in Baghdad, on 4 June, 2004. Five American troops appeared to have been wounded when a rocket attack destroyed their Humvee vehicle as it drove through eastern Baghdad on Friday, witnesses said. — INTERNET

## Nuclear experts criticize US stance on Iran

**VIENNA, 4 June —** The UN nuclear watchdog's latest report on Iran's nuclear programme highlights the failure of the US Government to come up with a coherent line on Teheran, non-proliferation experts said on Wednesday.

While praising Iran for cooperating, the International Atomic Energy Agency said in a confidential report obtained by *Reuters* it did not have enough information to verify that Iran's atomic programme was strictly peaceful — and not a nuclear arms programme as Washington says.

"The report is a clear indication that the Bush Administration efforts to stop Iran's nuclear programme are failing," Jon Wolfsthal, deputy director for non-proliferation at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, told *Reuters*.

"Iran continues to procure enrichment capability and the US has proven unable to focus international attention on their activities or to engage Iran to convince them to abandon their efforts. The US does not have a clear Iran policy."

There are two major issues the IAEA says it must resolve. First is the origin of enriched uranium traces found at sites in Iran, which some diplomats on the IAEA board say had raised concerns Iran was secretly enriching uranium for use in weapons.

The second is Iran's centrifuge programme, especially its interest in advanced P2 enrichment centrifuges capable of making bomb-grade uranium. The report said Iran had admitted importing P2 parts and was interested in parts for thousands of centrifuges, in contrast to what it told the agency previously.

While the IAEA report shows that Iran has been changing its story regarding its research in potentially weapons-related technology, the analysts said there was no clear evidence that Iran was working on atomic weapons. — *MNA/Reuters*

## Australia to forgive Iraq's debt

**CANBERRA, 4 June—** Australian Trade Minister Mark Vaile said on Wednesday that Australia has decided to forgive the vast majority of Iraq's 500-million-US-dollar debt to Australia. Iraq's debt to Australia is for exports, predominantly wheat, shipped to the country in the late 1980s and early 1990s.

The Australian Government made the decision after consulting with Australian grains industry, Vaile said in a statement.

The exact proportion of debt forgiveness remains to be determined in negotiations with other countries which will also forgive Iraq's debt over coming months, according to the statement.

*MNA/Xinhua*

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## Pope denounces recent "deplorable events" in Iraq as Bush visit draws protests

**ROME, 4 June—** President Bush got a sharp dose of Europe's opposition to his Iraq policy Friday, quietly in the halls of the Vatican from Pope John Paul II and loudly in the streets of Rome from thousands of demonstrators.

The ailing pontiff complained about recent "deplorable events," an apparent reference to the abuse of Iraqi prisoners by US troops. In the absence of a commitment to shared human values, "neither war nor terrorism will ever be overcome," he said, struggling to speak.

However, the pope welcomed the recent establishment of an interim government and called for a speedy transfer of sovereignty to the Iraqis.

Not far from the Vatican walls, tens of thousands of protesters took to the streets to demonstrate through central Rome, many with signs demanding Italy withdraw its troops from Iraq. Some scuffled with police, others demonstrated around the capital, threw

firecrackers and set a trash can on fire.

Bush had dinner with a top ally on Iraq, Italian Prime Minister Italian Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi. On Saturday, the president heads to Paris to meet with one of his sharpest war critics, French President Jacques Chirac.

Despite Berlusconi's backing, and his decision to send 3,000 Italian troops to Iraq, polls show that a majority of Italians oppose the US-led war and occupation of Iraq, a sentiment common throughout western Europe.

Bush is on a three-day trip to Italy and France to help commemorate the June 1944 liberation of Rome and the allied D-Day invasion of Normandy. He was also using the trip and an international

economic summit next week in Georgia to try to build more support among leading nations for a new UN resolution to deal with post-occupation Iraq.

But the announcement in Baghdad that five US soldiers were killed and five wounded on Friday when their vehicles were attacked in east Baghdad served as a reminder that Iraq remained an extremely dangerous place.

Seated next to the pope, Bush promised his nation would work for "human liberty and human dignity," without making any reference to Iraq. He presented the pontiff with the presidential medal of freedom, America's highest civilian award, calling him "a devoted servant of God."

*Internet*

## US brands losing shine as Iraq sours sentiment

**LONDON, 5 June—**Declining global respect for American cultural values is having a serious effect on the image of United States brands such as McDonald's, Coca-Cola, Nike and Microsoft, a worldwide study of consumer attitudes has found.

According to a report in Britain's the *Guardian* newspaper, the number of people who like and use US-branded products has fallen significantly over the past year, while brands perceived to be non-American have remained relatively stable.

The survey, by New York-based NOP World, questioned 30,000 people outside the US between January and March - a period marked by the growing difficulties for American forces in Iraq.

The survey covered Australia but not New Zealand. And although no similar research exists here, some local market researchers are seeing a swing from big brands, many of them associated with the US, to local brands.

From 1998 until 2002, NOP found that brands such as McDonald's and Coca-Cola were notching up healthy annual growth.

But last year NOP found that the growth in popularity of all major consumer brands, including those from Europe and Asia, had stalled.

Over the past 12 months the positive trend has reversed, with US products hardest hit.

NOP says the number of non-American consumers who "trust" Coca-Cola fell from 55 per cent to 52 per cent, while the McDonald's rating slipped from 36 per cent to 33 per cent.

Nike slipped from 56 per cent to 53 per cent and Microsoft fell from 45 per cent to 39 per cent.

"It's not like there's a massive boycott," says NOP managing director Tom Miller. "Instead, it seems to be an erosion of support. It is clearly a warning sign for brands." — *Internet*

# UN says coalition troops violated rights in Iraq

GENEVA, 4 June—The United Nations' top human rights official said on Friday US-led occupation forces had committed "serious violations" of international humanitarian law in Iraq and had ill-treated ordinary Iraqis.

Acting High Commissioner for Human Rights Bertrand Ramcharan said coalition troops were able to act with impunity and urged appointment of an independent figure to monitor their behavior.

In a report for the world body's Human Rights Commission, Ramcharan also indicated that US male and female soldiers accused of gross abuses of detainees at Baghdad's Abu Ghraib prison could be guilty of war crimes.

"The serious violations of human rights and humanitarian law that have taken

place (since US and British troops invaded Iraq in March last year and ousted then president Saddam Hussein) must not be allowed to recur," the report declared.

"It is crucial that protection arrangements be strengthened as a matter of the utmost urgency," it said. An International Ombudsman or Commissioner to monitor respect for human rights in Iraq should be appointed "immediately".

It was, the report said, "a stark reality that there was no international oversight and accountability in respect

of the situation that obtained in Iraq" since the invasion.

But the report, which asserted that "everyone accepts" that the US and its allies intended their troops in Iraq to behave well, was criticized by Reed Brody, special counsel to the US-based Human Rights Watch organization.

"It seems very light, and to bend over backwards to accept the good faith of the US," he told Reuters by telephone. "I don't think it is the place of the UN human rights office to evaluate the intentions of a state or group of states."

The 45-page report cited one former Abu Ghraib detainee, Saddam Abood Al-Rawi, 29, as telling UN investigators he was subjected to 18 days of torture at the US-run prison.

This included the pulling of teeth, kicking and beating and threats of rape, and warnings that he would be killed if he told a visiting international Red Cross team about his treatment.

Internet

## Al-Sadr insists on "nothing less" than fully elected government

BAGHDAD, 4 June—Radical Shiite cleric Muqtada al-Sadr didn't mince words when discussing Iraq's new government. Al Sadr didn't appear today in the mosque in Kufa where he usually preaches. Instead he sent an aide to deliver the message on his behalf.

Al Sadr insisted he would settle for "nothing less" than a fully elected leadership, saying the US has shown "impertinence and domination" in appointing a new prime minister and president.

The cleric threatened to stage protests and sit-ins against the UN if it doesn't change its policy in Iraq.

Al-Sadr's uprising began when the coalition shut down his newspaper, arrested a top aide and issued an arrest warrant charging him with the murder of a moderate cleric in April 2003. — Internet

## Prime US contractors wary about Iraq transition

LAS VEGAS, 4 June—Some prime US contractors in Iraq are wary of the US handover on June 30 and say there are still too many unanswered questions, from the status of private security guards to import tariffs.

While their contractual obligations remain with the US government, which funds their work, some big companies doing work in Iraq voiced apprehension over elements of the handover to an interim Iraqi government.

Speaking on the sidelines of an Iraq rebuilding conference that ended late Thursday in Las Vegas, Perini procurement specialist John Chisholm said his main concern was the legal status of staff if there were any problems, and in particular private security workers who protect them.

"For example, what is their (security guards') relationship with the Iraqi police? Do they have to register with anyone? That has not been answered yet," said Chisholm from the Massachusetts-based company.

There are also legal questions such as whether a staff member who had an accident and hurt an Iraqi would be tried in an Iraqi court or handed over to US

authorities.

"We need to know how the laws of the country apply to us," he said. "We need to be able to plan."

Others questioned how much power the interim government would have and how this would affect contractors' work.

"We need a much better legal framework here," said one contractor.

US government officials

are at pains to stress Iraq's new government has said they have no intention of making life difficult for contractors, who are already battling to do their work in a hostile environment.

"In terms of contracts there will be no real impact," said Mark Lumer, a senior US Army procurement official. "There is not going to be any fundamental shift after 30 June." — Internet

## Mediators say Iraq's Sadr tries to shore up truce

NAJAF, 4 June—Rebel Iraqi cleric Muqtada al-Sadr has agreed to new steps to shore up a shaky truce and end weeks of fighting in the country's holy Shiite cities, Shiite politicians said early on Friday after hours of talks.

They said Sadr had agreed to withdraw his fighters from the city of Najaf within two days, as long as US forces also withdrew.

Sadr also proposed that neutral observers monitored the truce, the Shiite politicians said.

MNA/Reuters



A US Army soldier attends the scene of a car bombing in the capital Baghdad on 31 May, 2004. — INTERNET

## Soros says war makes US perpetrators, not victims

WASHINGTON, 4 June — Billionaire financier George Soros said on Thursday the war on terror turned Americans from victims to perpetrators and had claimed more innocent lives than the September 11, 2001, attacks.

Soros, who has donated millions of his personal fortune toward defeating President George W. Bush in November, compared the abuse of Iraqi prisoners by US troops at Baghdad's Abu Ghraib Prison to the attacks in New York and Washington.

The pictures of prison abuse in Iraq were "a moment of truth" for the United States and "hit us the same way as the terrorist attack itself," he said.

"There is, I'm afraid, a direct connection between those two events. The way President Bush conducted the war on terror converted us from victims to perpetrators," he told a conference of about 2,000 progressives in a Washington hotel.

"The war on terror, as conducted by this Administration, has claimed more innocent victims than the

original attack itself," he said.

Soros, whose 11.5 billion US dollars Soros Fund Management is one of the world's largest hedge funds, has donated at least 15 million US dollars to groups like MoveOn.org and The Media Fund, which are working to help Democratic challenger John Kerry beat Bush in November.

At the three-day conference of activists sponsored by the liberal Campaign for America's Future, Soros said Bush entered the war in Iraq under false pretenses and created "an utter disaster for the United States."

"We have been deceived, and we have embarked on a policy that can't possibly succeed," said Soros, saying he was confident Bush would pay the price with a loss in November.

The organizers convened the conference in a burst of

optimism about the future of liberalism and the chances of beating Bush, whose approval ratings have dropped into the low or mid-40s amid the blizzard of bad news from Iraq.

But at a later speech at the National Press Club, independent presidential candidate Ralph Nader criticized progressives for rushing to back Kerry even though he has not sided forcefully with them on many key issues.

"They are not putting any demands on him," said Nader, whose Green Party White House bid in 2000 was blamed by many Democrats for the narrow loss to Bush by Al Gore.

He said the failure to hold Kerry accountable would leave him free to ignore progressive viewpoints if he takes the White House.

MNA/Reuters

## Iran commemorates late Khomeini with anti-US demonstrations

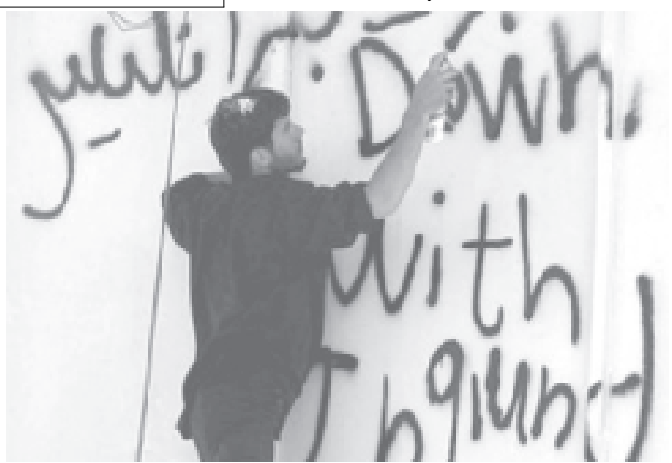
TEHRAN, 4 June — Iranians held anti-US demonstrations here on Thursday morning while commemorating the 15th anniversary of the death of Khomeini, founder of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

At the mausoleum of Khomeini, Iranian Supreme Leader Ayatollah Seyed Ali Khamenei inaugurated the ceremony, which was attended by other top Iranian officials.

Iranian people from all walks of life gathered at the mausoleum, chanting anti-US and anti-Israeli slogans. They condemned the United States for the attacks on Shiite holy cities in Iraq and Washington's policy toward Iran.

Ruhollah Khomeini led the Islamic Revolution in 1979, which overthrew the Pahlavi throne and changed Iran from American greatest ally into its greatest opposition in the Middle East.

He died in 1989, but his heritage is still dominantly influential in Iran nowadays. — MNA/Xinhua



An Iranian hard-line protestor, writes 'Down with England' on the back of a billboard, during a demonstration to protest the US-led coalition's actions in Iraq, and demand the expulsion of the British Ambassador to Tehran, in front of the British Embassy, in Teheran, Iran, on 4 June, 2004. — INTERNET



## Kerry accuses Bush of mismanaging US military

INDEPENDENCE (Missouri), 4 June — Democratic challenger John Kerry on Thursday accused President George W Bush of mismanaging the US military, effectively instituting a "back-door draft" and complicating the mission in Iraq.

The decorated Vietnam War veteran said the United States had gone into Iraq with too few troops to prevent looting and crime and had neglected to secure almost a million tons of conventional weapons now being used against them.

"These mistakes have complicated our mission and complicated our objective — a stable Iraq with a representative government secure in its borders," Kerry said.

The presumptive Democratic presidential nominee, in a speech on modernizing the US military at the Truman Presidential Library, said change was essential now that the old Cold War enemy had been replaced by threats from groups using "terror as a sword and religion as a shield".

Kerry proposed to temporarily add 40,000 troops to the 480,000-strong active-duty Army at an estimated cost of between 5 billion US dollars and 8 billion US dollars paid for by halting premature deployment of an "unproven" missile defence system.

Kerry, a senator from Massachusetts and a 20-year veteran of the Foreign Relations Committee, also said he would double US

Special Forces capability to about 10,000, provide state-of-the-art equipment to all soldiers and transform the National Guard by using it for homeland security.

"We can't meet the threats of this new century with a military from the last one," he said. "The rhetoric of toughness is not enough to make us safe. We need tough decisions to strengthen the American military so we can find and get the terrorists before they get us."

About 20,000 of the two new divisions would be combat troops. The other 20,000 would be individuals with specialties in post-conflict skills, such as civil affairs and the military police in order to relieve the burden on the National Guard and Reserve.

Kerry blasted the Bush Administration's order preventing thousands of soldiers designated for duty in Iraq or Afghanistan from leaving the military even when their volunteer service commitment expires.

He said the move underscored how overextended the US military was as the Pentagon tries to maintain adequate troop levels in Iraq and Afghanistan.

MNA/Reuters



Prisoners await questioning and trial inside a prison at the Qoria police station in Kirkuk, on 4 June, 2004. — INTERNET

## US House Democrats to probe Iraq prison abuse

WASHINGTON, 4 June — A group of Democrats in the US House of Representatives said on Thursday they would launch their own probe of the Iraq prison scandal, citing what they called a lack of interest by the Republican majority.

The six top Democrats on House committees that could be involved in probing the abuse of Iraqi detainees at Abu Ghraib Prison near Baghdad, wrote President George W Bush to say they intended to investigate the extent of the abuse.

They added they would also look into allegations of abuse in US military prisons in Afghanistan and Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

"Despite the magnitude of the Abu Ghraib and other detainee abuses and their enormous ramifications for our effort in Iraq and US foreign policy, no House committees are currently undertaking a formal public investigation," the Democrats wrote.

"This is a dereliction of Congress' oversight responsibility that ill serves our nation and our troops."

Representative Henry Waxman of California, top Democrat on the House Government Reform Committee, said requests by Democrats for congressional hearings on the abuse scandal had been rebuffed by Republican chairmen of their respective committees.

The Senate Armed Services Committee has held several hearings on the scandal. The House Armed Services Committee held one hearing on the matter.

The Democrats argued a thorough congressional probe would demonstrate a US commitment to ensuring the abuse would not recur and that it was also "critical for the emergence of a stable and secure Iraq."

The six Democrats asked the White House to cooperate with their investigation

and to make available to them a number of documents they said were significant.

The Democrats said some of the documents had already been delivered to the Senate Armed Services Committee and the House Intelligence Committee and that there should be no reason to deny access to them by House members. — MNA/Reuters

## Mortar attack kills one near Italy's Baghdad Embassy

BAGHDAD, 4 June — Mortar rounds landed near the Italian Embassy in Baghdad on Thursday, killing one Iraqi and wounding several others but hurting no embassy staff, Iraqi hospital officials and diplomatic sources said.

Haitham al-Fadel, a guard at the Italian Embassy, said six people, including three children, were hurt when the mor-



An Iraqi child looks out from a car window as the family wait to cross a check-point to enter the Iraqi town of Falluja on 4 June, 2004. — INTERNET

## CIA Chief resigns amid criticism over intelligence failure

WASHINGTON, 4 June — CIA Director George Tenet, who presided over spectacular intelligence lapses involving the September 11, 2001, attacks and alleged weapons of mass destruction in Iraq, has resigned and will leave in July, President George W Bush announced on Thursday.

Tenet submitted his resignation to Bush at the White House late on Wednesday, after months of mounting calls for his resignation because of his agency's erroneous intelligence.

"He told me he was resigning for personal reasons. I told him I'm sorry he's leaving," Bush said in a surprise announcement shortly before heading to Italy and France.

The longtime Washington insider famously assured Bush on the eve of the March 2003 US-led invasion that the case for war in Iraq was a "slam dunk", using a basketball expression to portray the weapons evidence as a certainty.

Bush cited Saddam Hussein's weapons programme as a prime reason for the US-led war and occupation of Iraq, where more than 800 US soldiers have died since March 2003. No chemical, biological or nuclear weapons have been found.

Tenet also was sharply criticized for his espionage oversight in the months ahead of the September 11 attacks on New York and Washington, when US authorities picked up height-

ened intelligence "chatter" about a looming attack.

Tenet's departure comes at a critical juncture for Bush, who has seen his job approval ratings fall to new lows as he faces a tight re-election battle against Democratic presidential candidate John Kerry.

Tenet tendered his resignation on the day new allegations emerged about damaging intelligence leaks to Ahmad Chalabi, the discredited Iraqi exile, and the White House disclosed Bush had spoken to a private lawyer regarding the criminal probe into the leak of a CIA operative's name last year.

He is the second-longest serving CIA director, behind

CIA chief Allen Dulles, who served at the height of the Cold War from 1953-1961.

Tenet will stay on his post until mid-July, at which time the CIA deputy director John McLaughlin will serve as the acting director.

Born in 1953, Tenet received a bachelor's degree from Georgetown University School of Foreign Service in 1976 and a master's from Columbia University School of International Affairs in 1978. He became deputy director of Central Intelligence Agency in July 1995 and was nominated by former president Bill Clinton as CIA director in 1997.

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## Eight Iraqis killed, 49 wounded in fighting in holy cities

BAGHDAD, 4 June — Eight Iraqis were killed and 49 others injured early Thursday as street fighting broke out between US troops and Shiite Muslim militiamen in the holy cities of Najaf and Kufa, an Iraqi official said.

"The fighting killed eight people, including one woman, and wounded 49 others including three children," said Dr. Falah al-Mahana, director-general of the Public Health Directorate in Najaf.

Fierce fighting erupted overnight and early in the morning near the grand mosque of Kufa and also at a sprawling cemetery in the nearby city of Najaf, witness Muhsin Jawad told Xinhua.

US aircraft flew over the battlefields where the coalition tanks and armoured vehicles took positions inside the two cities, Jawad said.

The centre of Kufa seemed deserted and many shops were closed and residents remained inside their houses as tensions rose, he added.

"Najaf is more like a powder keg than it was a few days ago," he said.

MNA/Xinhua

tars fell on a nearby restaurant and a house in the northern Baghdad neighbourhood. One arrived at the hospital dead, a doctor said.

An employee at the embassy said the building itself was not hit and no staff were hurt. "The building was not hit, but it appears that passers-by were hurt," he said.

Guerillas have attacked the

area around the Italian Embassy several times in recent months, mostly causing only minor damage. Last year the embassy was hit by a rocket-propelled grenade.

Italy has about 2,700 troops in Iraq and its nationals have regularly been targeted by guerillas because of the country's participation in the US-led coalition. — MNA/Reuters



*Smoke billows in the street in the district of Sadr City, in Baghdad, Iraq after an attack by unknown gunmen on 4 June, 2004.*



*A daughter kisses the hand of her mother lying in a hospital bed following a car bomb in Baghdad on 2 June, 2004.*



*Iraqis surround the wreckage, after a car bomb exploded in Baghdad, Iraq on 2 June, 2004.*



*An Iraqi man fans his wounded relative in a Baghdad hospital after he was injured in an explosion in the Iraqi capital on 31 May, 2004.*



*Iraqi doctors and nurses surround a woman inside a Baghdad, Iraq hospital on 31 May, 2004 after she was injured in an explosion in Baghdad.*

## Images of Iraq



*An Iraqi woman reacts after her 12 year old boy was injured when rockets hit her house in Al-Mahmudia, 40 km south of Baghdad, on 1 June, 2004. According to local witnesses, US planes attacked a residential area in Al- Mahmudia.*



*Iraqis crowded near the scene of a car bomb explosion in Baghdad, Iraq, on 31 May, 2004.*



*An Iraqi woman gestures inside Baghdad's Al Numan hospital waiting to get information on her relatives after a car bomb exploded in Baghdad, on 2 June, 2004 killing at least five people and injuring dozens.*



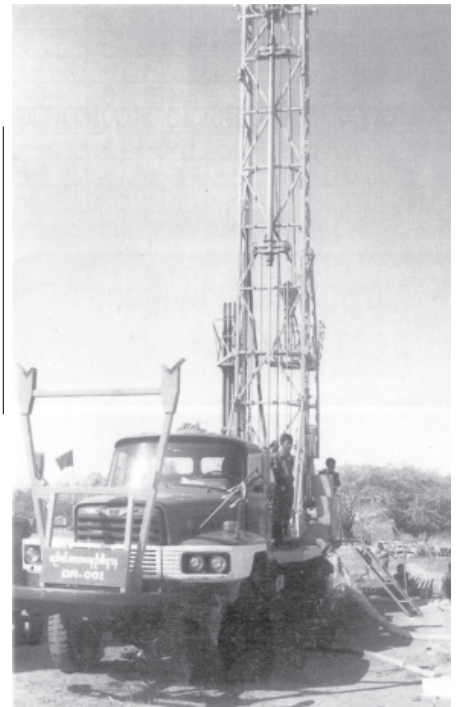
## New and fast developments throughout Myanmar



*In the time of the Tatmadaw government, endeavours for all-round development of states and divisions are made. The photo shows scenic view of Thandaunggyi hill station in Kayin State. —MNA*



*Village-to-village roads and bridges on these roads are being built. The photo shows a bridge built in Zoke Thoke Model Village in Bilin Township, Thaton District, Mon State. — MNA*



*A tubewell is sunk in Pyibin village, Chauk Township in Magway Division to supply potable water to rural people.*

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## Border and rural area developments



*The station hospital of Panglong region, Shan State. —MNA*

## Emergence of a constitution is imperative

Aung Moe San

Today, Myanmar is in the process of materializing the seven-point future policy programme for emergence of a new democratic nation. The seven points have been laid down in accord with democratic essence:

For the National Convention to lay down principles to be formulated as the basis for the emergence of a State Constitution; Drafting a new constitution in accordance with basic principles and detailed basic principles laid down by the National Convention; Adoption of the constitution through national referendum; Holding of free and fair elections for Pyithu Hluttaws (Legislative bodies) according to the new constitution; Convening of Hluttaws attended by Hluttaw members in accordance with the new constitution; and Building a modern, developed and democratic nation by the State leaders elected by the Hluttaw; and the government and other central organs formed by the Hluttaw. The procedures are the most peaceful and least harmful way towards national re-consolidation for the entire nation.

Prime Minister General Khin Nyunt has already declared the seven points to the world.

As a means to enable the entire nation to unitedly implement them, the Tatmadaw Government has negotiated with national political forces inside and outside the legal fold, with patience, tolerance and forgiveness, and also taken time for them to gain experience. The term "national re-consolidation" means the building of unity among the internal forces. As the forces lie within, the best ways and experiences are also within the country. The outside environment can only offer a favourable situation. Only the internal forces will decide the matter concerning the national re-consolidation. We are sad to see that some of the political parties turn their backs on the National Convention due to the instigation of some powers, that has never provided positive support for the national re-consolidation, and some outside instigative elements.

Some forces inside and outside the nation have a pessimistic view on the ongoing National Convention, and, especially, some powers rather than some internal forces, are opposing and interfering in the affairs of the country.

**It is true that we don't need to care everybody. But we need to care the ones who care us. In this world, there are good persons as well as bad ones, persons who are in favour of us as well as those who are not, and those who are right and those who are wrong. There is also a Myanmar saying, which goes, "No angel can fulfil all the desires of man". Once, there were human sufferings and sacrifices of scholars for humanity due to the majority's disapproval over the fact that the earth goes round the sun, although it is proved scientifically. Also in laying down a political**

system, there may be those in support as well as those in opposition. Whatever outside criticisms there may be, the bold stand should be based on the fact whether the system serves the majority's interest or not.

Nowadays, America and its allies of the west are applying various forms of pressure in trying to steer the reforms of the People's Republic of China. But China has never yielded to their pressure, and instead, it is making positive changes and developments in a peaceful and stable manner in accord with its own ways after laying down policies that truly suit to its society.

**Myanmar also will have to strive for the successful realization of the seven-point policy programme, that will truly serve the interest of the community, despite the criticisms of others. Only then, will it be able to peacefully build a new democratic nation.**

Myanmar would have built national consolidation after it regained independence, instead, there broke out disagreements and armed conflicts among the national races. The armed conflicts resulting from internal insurgency were burning in the nation, when the people were just relieved from the sufferings of the World War II. The then AFPFL government extended an olive branch for national unity, but in vain. The Revolutionary Council Government, a Tatmadaw Government, had also invited the legal political organizations to join hands with it, held peace negotiations with armed insurgents in the jungles in 1963, and formed advisory council for internal unity in 1968. But it did not achieve its goal of peace. During the 1988 unrest, the government led by Dr Maung Maung made a promise to hold multi-party election within six months to calm down it, but with no success.

These are the lessons we will have to take and take care of in building national re-consolidation.

The present Tatmadaw Government, that had to assume the State duties due to unavoidable circumstances, has been able to pave the way for 17 ethnic armed groups, opposing the successive governments in the past for a long time, to return to the legal fold. It is a historic victory in the endeavours for national re-consolidation, the accomplishment that no government in the past had achieved. Now, the representatives of the ethnic groups are also taking part in the National Convention together with delegates of other national races in laying down the basic principles for the emergence of a constitution. In other words, the National Convention is discharging the duty — **Emergence of a State constitution is imperative.** From there, a new democratic nation must be built with the strength of the entire national people.

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## World Population Day poster, essay competitions to be held

YANGON, 5 June — The Ministry of Immigration and Population in cooperation with the United Nations Population Fund will hold poster and essay competitions to commemorate World Population Day 2004.

The chosen title for the poster is "Statistical Girl" in English Version and "Pyinnya-kyan-ma Hkwint-lan-tha Pyae-son-hla-pa Mein-kha-lay-bawa Sa-yin-in-hnint Nhoon-so-pya" in Myanmar Version.

The poster competition will be categorized into five levels. The age group for the first level will be between 6 and 8; the second level, between 9 and 12; the third level, between 13 and 15; the fourth level, between 16 and 18 and the fifth level, between 19 and above. The competitions from the first to fourth levels will be held at designated venues in the cities of States and Divisions on 12 June under the supervision of State/Division Immigration and National Registration Departments. Only 15" x 20" drawing papers to be issued by the Population Department are to be used in the competitions.

Those wishing to participate in the competitions from the first to fourth levels are to contact the offices of State/Division Immigration and National Registration Departments concerned for enrollment not later than 9 June. The fifth level is designated as an open invitational competition. Entrants can use any sort of 18"x 24"— drawing papers and should send their works either to State/Division Immigration and National Registration Departments concerned by 14 June or to the Population Department (Head Office, Yangon) by 27 June. Participants from Yangon Division are to send their entries to the Population department (Head Office) not later than 27 June. Prizes for the competitions from the first to fourth levels are K 50,000 for the first prize, K 40,000 for second prize, K 30,000 for the third prize, and K 20,000 each for two consolation prizes. Prizes for the fifth level are K 75,000 for the first prize, K 50,000 for the second, K 40,000 for the third and K 30,000 each for two consolation prizes.

Detailed information about the competition can be obtained at State/Division Immigration and National Registration Departments, and the participants from Yangon Division can obtain detailed information about the competitions either at National Registration Department or Population Department in Yangon Division.

Similar essay (Myanmar Version) competition in commemoration of World Population Day 2004 will also be held under the title "Pyinnya-kyan-ma Hkwint-lan-tha Pyae-son-hla-pa Mein-kha-lay-bawa Sa-yin-in-hnint Nhoon-so-pya." The essay will be classified into two levels — high school level (8th, 9th, 10th grades) and middle school level — (5th, 6th, 7th grades) — held in major towns of States and Divisions from 9 to 11 am on 13 June. Prizes for both levels will be K 30,000 for the first prize, K 25,000 for the second, K 20,000 for the third and K10,000 each for two consolation prizes. First, second and third winners at central level, will be presented prizes at the ceremony of World Population Day to be held in Yangon and consolation prizes of essay will be sent through respective State/Division Immigration and National Registration Departments to winners. — MNA

## Efficient use of electricity

- \* Use daylight as the main source of light
- \* Use the least possible amount of electricity only if there is not enough natural light
- \* Use the least possible amount of electricity required in production and service enterprises
- \* Preventing waste of electricity benefits the user and others

There are about 500,000 households using electricity in Yangon. Thus, saving a four-foot fluorescent lamp everyday by each household amounts to saving power that is equal to the capacity a 20-megawatt power station can supply.

## Efficient use of fuel

- \* Saving one gallon of fuel per car per month will save the nation one US dollar
- \* Thus, a total of 455,822 cars in Myanmar can save US\$ 5.5 million in a year
- \* The amount, US \$ 5.5 million, can build a major bridge across Ayeyawady River

## All this needs to be known

- \* Do not be frightened whenever intimidated
- \* Do not be bolstered whenever flattered
- \* Do not be softened whenever appeased

မိုးညိုကျနှင့် မိုးရာသီတွင်ဖြစ်တတ်သော  
ရောဂါများအတွက်နူးစောက်ချက်

၁။ မိုးညိုကျရာသီတွင် အောက်ဖော်ပြပါ ကူးစက်တတ်သောရောဂါများ  
ပုံမှန်ဖြစ်ပွားလေ့ရှိပါသည်။

- (က) ဝမ်းပျက်ဝမ်းလျှောနှင့် ကာလဝမ်းရောဂါများအပါအဝင် ဝမ်းနှင့်  
ပတ်သက်သည့် ရောဂါများ၊ အသည်းရောင်အသားပါ ရောဂါနှင့်  
သံကောင် တုပ်ကောင်ရောဂါများ၊  
(ခ) သွေးလွန်တုပ်ကွေးနှင့် ငှက်ဖျားရောဂါ  
(ဂ) တုပ်ကွေး၊ နှာစေ့ချောင်းဆိုးနှင့် အဆုတ်အဆေးမိရောဂါ  
၂။ ဖြစ်ပွားရသည့်အကြောင်းရင်းမှာ—  
(က) မိုးညိုကျလာပြီးဖြစ်၍ လှိုင်းလှိုင်းပေါ်လာသည့် အချိန်တစ်ပါးသော  
သရက်သီး၊ ပိစ့်သီး၊ ဖရဲသီး၊ ကြက်ဇောက်သီး၊ မင်းပွတ်သီး၊  
စသည့်သစ်သီးဝလံများ၏ အခွံအစေ့ စသည်များကို စည်ကမ်းမဲ့  
မဆင်မခြင် စွန့်ပစ်ခြင်းကြောင့် ယင်ပေါများခြင်း၊  
(ခ) ရာသီစာအမှည့်လွန်အသီးများကို စားသုံးခြင်း၊  
(ဂ) မိုးရာသီရေတင်ရေဝပ်သဖြင့် ရေအိုင်၊ ရေကန်၊ ရေမြောင်း၊  
ပိတ်ခြင်းနှင့် ချွန်ပိတ်ပေါင်းထူထပ်၍ ဖြစ်ပေါက်ပွားခြင်း၊  
(ဃ) ရာသီဥတု အပြောင်းအလဲဖြစ်၍ အပူရုပ်ခြင်း၊ အအေးပတ်ခြင်း၊  
(င) ပတ်ဝန်းကျင်သန့်ရှင်းမှုနှင့် တစ်စိုက်ရည်သန့်ရှင်းမှု နည်းပါးခြင်း၊  
(စ) ကျန်းမာရေးနည်းသည့် အသိပညာနှင့်အလေ့အကျင့် အားနည်းခြင်း၊  
၃။ အောက်ဖော်ပြပါတို့ကို လိုက်နာကျင့်သုံးခြင်းဖြင့် ဖော်ပြပါ ရောဂါများ  
ကူးစက်ပျံ့နှံ့ခြင်းမှ ကာကွယ်တားဆီးနိုင်မည် ဖြစ်ပါသည်။

- (က) အမှည့်လွန်အသီးများကို စားသုံးခြင်းမှ ရှောင်ပါ။  
(ခ) ယင်နားစာများကို မဆင်မခြင် စားသုံးခြင်းမှ ရှောင်ပါ။  
(ဂ) စားကြွင်းစားကျန် အမှိုက်သရိုက်များနှင့် အညစ်အကြေးများကို  
စည်းကမ်းမဲ့ စွန့်ပစ်ခြင်းမှရှောင်ကြဉ်ပါ။  
(ဃ) မိသားစုအတွင်းကျန်းမာရေးအသိပညာဖြန့်ဝေပါ၊ လိုက်နာကျင့်သုံးပါ။  
(င) တစ်စိုက်ရည် သန့်ရှင်းရေးကို ဂရုပြုလိုက်နာဆောင်ရွက်ပါ။  
(စ) ရေကိုကျိုချက်၍ သောက်ပါ။  
(ဆ) လတ်ဆတ်သန့်ရှင်းသည့် အသီးအနှံနှင့် အစားအစာများကို  
ပူပူနွေးနွေး ချက်ပြုတ်စားသုံးပါ။  
(ဇ) ရာသီဥတု အပူအအေး အပြောင်းအလဲကို သတိရှိပါ။  
(ဈ) ပတ်ဝန်းကျင်သန့်ရှင်းရေးလုပ်ငန်းနှင့် ဖြစ်နိုင်သမျှ လုပ်ငန်းများ  
ကို အမျိုးသားရေးအမြင်ဖြင့် ဝိုင်းဝန်းစုပေါင်းဆောင်ရွက်ပါ။  
(ည) ရောဂါတစ်မျိုးဖြစ်ပွားပျံ့နှံ့ပါက ကျန်းမာရေးဌာနသို့  
အမြန်သတင်းပို့ပါ။  
(ဋ) လိုအပ်ပါက နီးစပ်ရာဆေးပေးခန်းဆေးရုံများသို့ အချိန်မီသွားရောက်  
ပြသစစ်ဆေးကုသခွင့်ယူပါ။ ကျန်းမာရေးဝန်ကြီးဌာန



**Union of Myanmar**  
**Multiparty Democracy General Election Commission**  
**Announcement No 1619**  
**(3rd Waning of Nayon 1366 ME)**  
**(5 June 2004)**

**Subject: Permission given to U Sai Tun Aung's resignation as Pyithu Hluttaw representative elected from Lankho Township Constituency in Shan State**

1. U Sai Tun Aung of the Shan Nationalities League for Democracy, Pyithu Hluttaw representative elected from Lankho Township Constituency in Shan State in the Multiparty Democracy General Elections, said he went to Yangon on 9 May 2004 to attend the National Convention that started on 17 May 2004 at the invitation of the National Convention Convening Commission. However, he said, he left Yangon on 18 May 2004 as the meeting of the Central Committee for the Shan Nationalities League for Democracy held in Yangon on 14 May 2004 decided not to attend the National Convention.
2. He said he felt upset deeply when he learnt that the Central Committee's decision not to attend the National Convention was due to the control and manipulation of the National League for Democracy, and expressed his firm belief that the State held the National Convention with farsightedness, keeping in view the interests of the country and the entire people.
3. He felt that it was terribly wrong for the Shan Nationalities League for Democracy not to attend the National Convention because of the influence of the National League for Democracy.
4. As he no longer wished to continue his party politics with the Shan Nationalities League for Democracy, he said he handed in his letter of resignation to the SNLD on 29 May 2004 as the member of the SNLD, as the vice-chairman of Lankho Township SNLD, and as the member of the Central Committee.
5. In this regard, U Sai Tun Aung said he submitted of his own volition to the Commission that he be permitted to resign as the Pyithu Hluttaw representative elected from Lankho Township Constituency, as he was no longer a member of the Shan Nationalities League for Democracy.
6. Upon the above-mentioned submission, the Commission hereby announces that U Sai Tun Aung has been permitted to resign from being Pyithu Hluttaw representative-elect of Lankho Township Constituency with effect from today under Section 11 (E) of the Pyithu Hluttaw Election Law.

By order  
 Sd/- Aye Maung  
 Secretary

## Ecosystems increasingly being threatened ...

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The rise of science and technology in recent decades has resulted in vast transformations all over the world. These changes have had both positive and negative consequences. With respect to the environment, the changes on balance are negative. The world population now stands at 6.2 billion. It continues to grow each day. The increase in population means greater demand for food, water, energy, housing, and other basic needs. Humans have regarded the Earth and its resources as inexhaustible. They have been mindlessly exploiting these finite resources to meet their growing needs. In the process they have also taken for granted that the Earth can absorb all the waste generated by men. The irrational actions of mankind have thus degraded the Earth and the environment.

In many parts of the world, ecosystems are increasingly being threatened. Environmental problems such as global warming and climate change, and the depletion of the ozone layer are global problems that affect not only humans but all other forms of life on this planet. Problems such as haze, acid rain and marine pollution transcend national boundaries.

In the recent past, efforts have been made at the international and national level to address environ-

mental problems. Over the past three decades, a large number of international conventions related to the environment have been adopted and are being implemented. At the national level, environmental agencies and ministries have been set up to promote effective environmental management. Nevertheless in most nations, due to the lack of enforcement of environmental laws and regulations and absence of political and financial commitments, the environmental continues to deteriorate.

On the positive side, there is growing awareness in the world that economic development cannot be sustained without protecting the environment. The concept of "sustainable development" adopted by the Brundtland Commission has gained worldwide acceptance. As sustainable development rests on three main Pillars, namely economic development, social development and environmental protection, there is need to strike a balance among them. Accordingly, measures for environmental protection and conservation including the application of environmental standards are now being incorporated in most major development activities.

We in Myanmar too are paying greater attention to environmental issues in the country. In order to promote effective environmental

management, the Environmental Conservation Committee has recently been formed. This Committee and its task forces will implement programmes to effectively address environmental issues in the country.

The theme of this year's World Environment Day focuses on Oceans and Seas. It is aimed to underscore the fact that saving the World's oceans and seas, including marine resources, is crucial for the well-being of human beings, and the vitality of the ecosystems. Our planet is in fact known as a blue planet as two-thirds of the Earth is covered with oceans and seas. Those oceans and seas not only provide food, useful products and avenues of transportation for mankind, but also provide important ecological services.

Myanmar is fortunate in that it has vast open seas in the south-western and southern part of Myanmar. The Bay of Bengal lies in the South-west and the Andaman Sea in the South of Myanmar. Myanmar's coast stretches for more than 2,200 kilometres. Myanmar's seas contain bountiful supply of fish and other valuable resources including pearls and minerals. There are also rich mangrove forests and pristine beaches along the coast. It is vitally important that these valuable resources are conserved and used in a sus-

**Union of Myanmar**  
**Multiparty Democracy General Election Commission**  
**Proclamation No 1/2004**  
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It is hereby announced that the Commission has put on record the following submission tendered by U Sai Tun Aung of the Shan Nationalities League for Democracy, the representative-elect of Lankho Township Constituency.

His submission reads "I, U Sai Tun Aung [13/la-kha-ta (Naing) 004258], tender my resignation as member of the Central Committee of the Shan Nationalities League for Democracy, as Vice-Chairman of the Lankho Township Executive Committee, and as member of SNLD". — MNA



Prime Minister General Khin Nyunt views posters and paintings at World Environment Day Commemorative Exhibition.—MNA

tainable manner. Before in conclude, let me express support for all those who are striving to protect and promote our environment. In this regard, I wish to commend the National Commission for Environment Affairs for their important contribution to this course and to all the government departments, non-governmental organizations and the private sectors for taking an active part in the World Environment Day celebrations.

Next, United Nations Programme Coordinator and UN Development Programme Resident Representative Mr Charles James Pertic read out the messages of Executive Director Dr Klaus Toepfer of UN Environment Programme and UN Secretary-General Mr Kofi A Annan.

Afterwards, Chairman of National Commission for Environment Affairs Minister for Foreign Affairs U Win Aung presented first, second and third prizes to Maung Kyaw Hsint, U Aung Moe and Ma Thazin Soe Myint respectively in the poster contest and consolation prizes to Ye Htut

Aung (Lawkanat Art), Maung Sithu Aung, Ko Htwe, Maung Zin Ko Ko, U Maung Maung, Ma Khaing Tharaphi Din and Design Zaw Htet.

Minister U Win Aung also presented first, second and third prizes to seventh standard student Maung Win Min Thu of Dagon Basic Education High School No 1, ninth standard student Maung Min Oo of Institute of Education Practising School and seventh standard student Ma Khaing Myat Myo Tun Lin of Institute of Education Practising School respectively in the basic education level painting contest and consolation prizes to fourth standard student Maung Sithu Aung of Tamway BEPS No 32, seventh standard student Ma Shwe Yi Oo of Latha BEHS No 2, first standard student Maung Phyo Marn Hon Lin of Kamayut BEPS No 2, fifth standard student Ma Hsu Hnin Wai of Latha BEHS No 2, tenth standard student Ma Shirley Win of Botahtaung BEHS No 5, third standard student Ma Nway Yadana Tun of Institute of Education Practising

School and seventh standard student Maung Soe San Lin of Dagon BEHS No 1.

Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs U Kyaw Thu gave away certificates of honour to officials of the Ministry of Livestock and Fisheries, the Mining Department, the Forest Department, the Directorate of Water Resources and Improvement of River Systems, the Marine Science Department of Mawlamyine University, Yangon City Development Committee, Myanmar Birds Conservation Association, Myanmar Intergraph, Euro Continents, Myanmar, Suntac Technologies and Forest Reserve Environment Development and Conservation Association, Composer Accordion U Ohn Kyaw and vocalists Khaing Mye Tha and He Lay for their contribution to World Environment Day celebration and movements.

After the ceremony, the Prime Minister and party viewed prize-winning posters and paintings displayed at the hall of MICT Park and the World Environment Day Commemorative Exhibition.

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## Commander, Mayor inspect sanitation tasks, attend tree planting ceremony

YANGON, 5 June— Chairman of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Maj-Gen Myint Swe and Chairman of Yangon City Development Committee Mayor Brig-Gen Aung Thein Lin this morning inspected sanitation tasks and dredging of drains for proper flow of water being carried out by Tatmadawmen, members of Myanmar Police Force, YCDC workers and local people in Yangon City.

The commander and the mayor saw over sanitation tasks at Institute of Dental Medicine in Thingangyun Township. Next, they proceeded to the tree planting ceremony on Ayeyawun Road in Thakayta Township. They planted trees both sides of the road. A total of 564 tree saplings were planted both sides of the road.

The commander and the mayor inspected cleaning tasks in Tamway, Mingala Taungnyunt and Mayangon Townships. Next, they inspected repaving of Khayaybin Road and attended to the needs.— MNA



*Prime Minister General Khin Nyunt inspects upgrading tasks at environs of Kandawgyi Gardens.—MNA*

## Yangon City upgraded ...

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Next, members of the Supervisory Committee and officials of the respective ministries reported on work done, work being carried out and future tasks for development of Yangon City including land, housing and advanced housing projects with the use of charts.

Afterwards, Director-General of DHSHD U Ant Kyaw and Deputy Director-General Col Aung Win reported on progress of housing projects already permitted by the Supervisory Committee and construction projects of the

ministries concerned, renovation of roads, construction of new roads and extended construction of bridges in Mingalardon, Shwepyitha, Dagon Myothit (East) and Hlaingthayar Townships with the use of power point.

Next, Chairman of Yangon City Development Committee Mayor Brig-Gen Aung Thein Lin reported on buildings constructed by YCDC and progress of modern and advanced market and Plaza projects. This was followed by a general round of discussions. The meeting ended with the concluding remarks by Chairman of the Supervisory Committee Prime Minister General Khin Nyunt. After the meeting, Prime Minister General Khin Nyunt

and party inspected upgrading of Kawdawgyi Gardens of Yangon City and its environs where ministers, deputy ministers and officials welcomed them at the Relaxation Zone. Next, Prime Minister General Khin Nyunt inspected beautifying measures and construction of Elephant Plaza at the Relaxation Zone on Pale Island, construction of aquarium, Myepadaytha Island, nurseries shops, agricultural museums at the Education Zone, construction of Fountain Plaza at the Central Forest Zone, Water Plaza and Water Fountain, recreational facilities at the Recreation Zone and construction of Barbecue Garden and gave necessary instructions to officials.—MNA



*Secretary-1 Lt-Gen Soe Win addresses Electronic Products Industries Supervisory Committee Meeting.—MNA*

## Electronic industry...

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Beginning 2004-2005, the government laid down the objectives for development of industrial sector and it is now the time for achieving progress in the State and the private sectors, he said.

The Secretary-1 said the Head of State gave guidance on basic points regarding the emergence of a modern developed nation. He quoted the Head of State as saying that industrial development is needed for emergence of modern industrialized nation. Without the industry sector, a country will never become industrialized and modern. Today, industrialized nations are approaching post-industrialized way of life. Developing nations are entering the industrialized level and some parts of the world are leading to a new industrial age.

It is obviously seen that high technology is developing rapidly taking place in economic and social fields. The range of knowledge and technology is wide and changing and every nation is trying to gain knowledge and technology. Knowledge, technology and information systems are basic requirements in making the nation strong and powerful. At such time, the government is making arrangements for future generation to learn modern technology. The private enterprises are cooperating with cooperative enterprises for development of technology. Technological development is a national task to be carried out by the entire people.

The Secretary-1 said electronic industry is an important one in efforts to make progress in industrial sector and to keep abreast of other nations. With the increase of ICT Centres and application of modern teaching methods and teaching aids in schools, the role of electronic products is obvious. He spoke at length on running of the factory with computer programming, application software, auto machine system and installation of ICs in controller cards. Encouragement is to be given to low level programming for development of electronic industries. Some Integrated Circuits are easily available in the market, but some are Customized Integrated Circuits and so it is difficult and it

takes a long time to draw respective programmes. Some Chip sets are produced by combining parts of different ICs. So, now is Microprocessor era.

There have emerged various kinds of information and communication electronic apparatus, household and office used electronic apparatus, personal computers, and other electronic apparatus used in factories, hospitals, laboratories, armed forces and spacecraft in various fields.

Efforts are thus to be made for speeding up production of high-quality electronic apparatus.

Myanmar produces electronic apparatus with three processes — through own design, assembling imported parts, and CMP system. The production sector has not improved as much as it should due to various reasons. However, there are around 250 services, shops or training centres in the electronic sector in Yangon.

So, Myanmar has the potential for greater success in producing modern electronic apparatus. Only when Myanmar is able to manufacture modern electronic products, can the nation reduce reliance on foreign countries to a considerable degree in the long run and produce more import-substitute items and penetrate foreign markets. According to the discussions held prior to this meeting, there has been more relation between the State and private electronic entrepreneurs and experiences, technical know-how and views could be exchanged. Furthermore, the electronic entrepreneurs across the nation have been combined, he said.

It is noted that through this combination, an electronic association will be established for elevating the nation's industrial sector, development of electronic industries and manufacturing of international standard electronic products through the strength of experts and technicians from respective ministries and entrepreneurs. The State owned sector as well as the private sector are to make continued efforts, he said. In conclusion, he urged private electronic entrepreneurs to make collaborative efforts for producing quality products with their technical know-how; for emergence of CMP industries in view of producing skilled workers; for setting up joint ventures in view of obtaining technical know-how from abroad; and

for undertaking research works to develop their own technical know-how. Member of the Supervisory Committee Minister for Communications, Posts and Telegraphs Brig-Gen Thein Zaw briefed them on research and development tasks to be carried out by electronic companies and assistance to be provided in accord with the laws and disciplines.

Vice-Chairman of the Supervisory Committee Minister U Thaung reported on turning out of technicians from universities, colleges and institutes under the Ministry of Science and Technology and assistance for the entrepreneurs. Next, the Secretary-1 and party inspected electronic apparatuses displayed at the booths of Queen Star Computer Centre Booth, Myanma Machine Tool & Electrical Industries, Hong Pang Group, Earth Industrial (Myanmar) Co Ltd, AA Electronic Ltd, Master Power Co Ltd, Nibban Electric & Electronics, Linyama Electronic Gates Electronics Sale & Service, Mectronic General Electrical Products, Trust & Development Co Ltd, Texcel Co Ltd, U Pe Thein Electrical & Electronic, Toe Electric, Myanmar World Distribution Co Ltd, Fisca Co Ltd, PQ Electrical Engineering Co Ltd and Directorate of Signals.

Afterwards, the Secretary-1 met ministers, deputy ministers and electronic entrepreneurs at the meeting hall. Chairman U Myat Thin Aung of AA Electronic Ltd reported on electronic industrial development, Quality Control Manager U Kyaw Min of Earth Industrial (Myanmar) Co Ltd on productivity system and quality control, Adviser U Soe Myint to General Service Engineering on services for electronic control and automation system, Managing Director U Myint Zaw of T & D Co Ltd on electronic research and development, Project Executive U Myint Zaw of Mectronic Co Ltd on indigenous electronic industry, Engineering Director U Zaw Win of FISCA Co Ltd on promotion of electronic park in Myanmar and other entrepreneurs on establishment of an electronic entrepreneurs association. Supervisory Committee Member Minister Brig-Gen Thein Zaw and Secretary Deputy Minister for Science and Technology Dr Chan Nyein gave supplementary reports. Later, the Secretary-1 gave necessary instructions.—MNA



# Militants rocket US base, flee to Pakistan

**LWARA (Afghanistan), 5 June — Suspected Islamic militants fired rockets at a US base in southeastern Afghanistan on Thursday, then fled across the border into Pakistan, US military officers said.**

Several hours later, a suspected al-Qaeda suicide bomber was killed in an explosion at a checkpoint inside Pakistan that also wounded three paramilitary troops and Pakistani forces detained three foreign militants disguised as women.

It was not clear if the militants who appeared in Pakistan were part of the group that had carried out the rocket attack, which occurred about 25 miles away, just inside Afghanistan.

Two rockets were heard whooshing over Camp Tillman near Lwara in the Afghan province of Paktika

before dawn. They landed on a hillside causing loud explosions and shaking the ground, but caused no casualties, US military officials said.

Afghan soldiers immediately returned fire with mortars and heavy machineguns but apparently inflicted no casualties on the attackers, they said.

US and Afghan forces then pursued a red pickup truck thought to have fired the rockets until it crossed the border into Pakistan, where they were forced to abandon the chase.

MNA/Reuters

# Pakistan to restore peace in Karachi at every cost

**ISLAMABAD, 5 June — Pakistani Interior Minister Faisal Saleh Hayat has said that Pakistani Government will restore peace and normalcy in southern port city of Karachi at any cost.**

“The government has a very clear policy in connection with Karachi situation. We have to restore peace in the city at every cost,” the minister was quoted by the official *Associated Press of Pakistan* as saying Thursday.

Faisal said under the Constitution it is subject of the provincial government to maintain law and order and Federal government cannot interfere until there emerges any immense grave situation. Presently the situation in Karachi is not immense but certainly it is not normal, he said, adding that the government will take every step which is needed to restore peace in Karachi.

Karachi has been hit by bombings and other incidents of violence several times in the past one month.

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# First ever cellphone fair kicks off in Bangladesh

**DHAKA, 5 June — The first ever exposition of cellphone sets and accessories in Bangladesh began in Dhaka on Thursday.**

The two-day “Mobile Mela” (mobile fair) is sponsored by GrameenPhone, the country’s leading cellphone operator.

Some 13 handset vendors and two accessories vendors are displaying their latest handset and other related products in the show.

The participants include Nokia, Siemens, SonyEricsson, Motorola, Panasonic, Alcatel, Samsung, DBTel, Vtech, Haier and TCL.

The show was inaugurated on Thursday morning and formally open to the public in the afternoon. The sponsors expected the fair could create an opportunity for cellphone users to have an idea of the latest innovations

of the handsets, as well as new tariff plans and tips on various packages offered by different operators.

In the first three hours after the show began, the number of visitors have reached at least 10,000 till the correspondent left the fair.

Bangladesh has probably the lowest teledensity in the world, as the statistics of the International Telecommunication Union show that every 100 inhabitants have only 0.55 fixed line phone, while the number of mobile phones per people stands at 1.01.

At present the cell phone connections provided by four joint venture operators in the country have amounted to some 2.3 million, while the GrameenPhone alone secured over 1.5 million users.

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# Philippine Govt toughens anti-gambling law

**MANILA, 5 June — The Philippine Government has set into action a tougher anti-gambling law with increases prison term up to 20 years and fines as much as 5 million pesos (90,090 US dollars) to violators, a local newspaper reported Friday.**

Interior and Local Government Secretary Jose Lina told *Philippine Daily Inquirer* that the new law, recently approved by President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo, covers all forms of illegal gambling which uses numbers or combinations as factors in giving jackpots, including the popular jueteng, masiao and last-two.

The law, as Lina said, imposes up to 20 years of prison term on public officials and employees serving as collector, agent, coordinator, controller, supervisor, operator or financier of any illegal numbers game.

They also have to face a fine of 3 million pesos (54,054 dollars) to 5 million pesos and permanent disqualification from holding public office, he added.

According to the law, parents or guardians of minors, wards or disabled persons involved in illegal gambling activities shall be put in prison up to one year, fined up to 400,000 pesos (7,207 US dollars) and deprived of authority over their wards.

It also ruled that maintainers, managers and operators of gambling activities should face imprisonment of up to 14 years, financiers of up to 16 years, and protectors and coddlers up to 20 years.

The new penalties are higher than those provided in the old law, which only imposed prison term of up to 12 years and fines of 400 pesos to 6,000 pesos, the report said.

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# အရက်ကြောင့်ဖြစ်သည့်ရောဂါများ

အရက်ကိုလွန်ကျွံရှာနှင့် စွဲလမ်းစွာသောက်သုံးခြင်းကြောင့်ဖြစ်ပွားတတ်သောရောဂါများမှာ အသည့်ရောင်ခြင်း၊ အသည့်ခြောက်ခြင်း၊ သွေးအန်ခြင်း၊ အစာအိမ်ရောဂါဖြစ်ခြင်း၊ နှလုံးရောဂါဖြစ်ခြင်း၊ ဦးနှောက်နှင့်အာရုံကြောထိခိုက်ခြင်း၊ စိတ်ရောဂါများဖြစ်ခြင်း စသည်တို့ဖြစ်ပါသည်။

အရက်ကြောင့်ဖြစ်တတ်သော စိတ်ရောဂါများမှာ -

၁။ ကယောင်ကတမ်းဖြစ်ခြင်း (Delirium Tremors)၊ ကြောက်လန့်ခြင်း၊ အချိန်၊ နာရီ၊ နေရာ၊ လူ ခန့်မှန်းနိုင်စွမ်း မရှိခြင်း၊ ကြောက်စရာလန့်စရာများမြင်ရခြင်း၊ အသံလေးများ ကြားရခြင်း၊ ပိုးမွှားများနွှာကိုယ်ပေါ် စွဲစိစွဲသွားသလိုခံစားရခြင်း၊ လက်တန်ရောဂါဖြစ်တတ်ခြင်း။

၂။ အရက်အလွန်အကျွံသောက်သည့်အခါတွင် လူမရှိတဲ့ နာထဲတွင် ခေါ်သံများ၊ ခြိမ်းခြောက်သံများ၊ စော်ကားမော်ကားသံများ ကြားနေရတတ်ခြင်း (Alcoholic Halluncinosis)။

၃။ အတက်ကြွရောဂါဖြစ်တတ်ခြင်း (Rum Fits) (ဝက်ရူးမြန်ရောဂါကဲ့သို့တတ်ခြင်း)။

၄။ စိတ်ဓာတ်ကျရောဂါဖြစ်တတ်ခြင်း (Depressive Illness)။

၅။ စိတ်ဓာတ်ပြန်ခြင်း (Alcoholic Psychosis)။

၆။ ဦးနှောက်ချို့ယွင်းခြင်း။

၇။ အရက်နှင့်မတည့်သောသူများသည် အရက်အနည်းငယ်သောက်ရုံဖြင့် ရုတ်တရက် စိတ်ဓာတ်ပြန်တတ်ခြင်း (Pathological Drunkenness)။

၈။ မိမိ၏ဇနီးကို အထင်အမြင်လွဲမှားခြင်းများ ဖြစ်တတ်ခြင်း (Morbid Jealousy)။

၉။ အရက်ကြောင့် ရာဇဝတ်မှုကျူးလွန်သည့်အထိ ဖြစ်နိုင်ခြင်း။ အထက်ပါဆို ကျိုးများကို မစားရစေရန် အရက်သောက်သုံးခြင်း၊ အထူးသဖြင့် အလွန်အကျွံသောက်သုံးခြင်း၊ အရက်ကို စွဲလမ်းစွာသောက်သုံးခြင်းတို့မှ ရှောင်ကြဉ်ရန် တိုက်တွန်းအပ်ပါသည်။ အရက်စွဲရောဂါဖြစ်ပွားပါက စိတ်ကျန်းမာရေးဆေးရုံနှင့် ကုသရေးဌာနများတွင် စနစ်တကျကုသမှုခံယူရန် အသိပေးနှိုးဆော်အပ်ပါသည်။

ကျန်းမာရေးဝန်ကြီးဌာန

# China “ready” to join MTCR to control missile proliferation

**BEIJING, 5 June — China Thursday expressed its willingness to join the Missile Control Technology Regime in an effort to project itself as a responsible missile power in the international community’s efforts to prevent proliferation of weapons of mass destruction.**

After the end of a two-day second round meeting with members of the MTCR and Chinese officials, Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman Liu Jianchao said the MTCR has promised to give “positive consideration” to Beijing’s application.

“The Chairman of MTCR, Ambassador Carlos Sersale Di Cerisano said the delegation will give positive consideration on China’s application,” Liu told reporters here Thursday.

The MTCR is an informal and voluntary association of countries which share the goals of non-proliferation of unmanned delivery systems for weapons of mass destruction, and seeks to coordinate national export licensing efforts aimed at preventing their proliferation.

Liu Jie, Director-General of the Department of Arms Control and Disarmament under the Chinese Ministry of Foreign Affairs, represented China during the June 1-2 meeting with MTCR officials and expressed Beijing’s desire to join the group, Liu said.

“Both sides believe that the dialogues have increased mutual understanding and trust and it is of importance for the development of China-MTCR relationship,” the spokesman said.

China’s bid for membership comes at a time when there is increased pressure on Beijing from the US to stop its alleged transfer of missile and nuclear technology to countries like Pakistan.

Last week China joined the Nuclear Suppliers Group (NSG), a 40-member unofficial grouping engaged in preventing the proliferation of nuclear technology.

The MTCR was formed in 1987 by Canada, France, Italy, Germany, Japan, Britain and the United States to counter the threat of the spread of WMD and maintain vigilance over transfer of missile equipment, material, and related technologies usable for systems capable of delivering WMD.

Since then the MTCR has grown to include 33 countries, all of which have equal standing within the regime.

MNA/PTI

# တီဘီရောဂါကာကွယ်နိုင်ရန်:

## (က) ရောဂါဖြစ်ပွားရခြင်း

- ဤရောဂါသည်တီဘီရောဂါဖြစ်သော ကူးစက်ရောဂါဖြစ်သည်။ ဝေဒနာရှင်ချောင်းဆိုးခြင်း၊ နှာချေခြင်း၊ သလိပ်တံတွေးမှတစ်ဆင့် ရောဂါပိုးများ လေထဲတွင်ပျံ့နှံ့၍ ကူးစက်သည်။
- အသက်အရွယ်မရွေး လူတိုင်းတွင်ဖြစ်ပွားနိုင်သည်။
- အဆုတ်တွင်အများဆုံးဖြစ်ပွားပြီး ကိုယ်ခန္ဓာအနုအရွယ်တွင်လည်း ဖြစ်နိုင်သည်။
- ဆီးချိုရောဂါ၊ ခုခံအားကျဆင်းမှုကူးစက်ရောဂါနှင့် အာဟာရ ချို့တဲ့မှုရှိသူများတွင် အဖြစ်များသည်။

## (ခ) ရောဂါလက္ခဏာများ

- ရက်ရှည်ချောင်းဆိုးခြင်း (ရက်သတ္တပတ် သုံးပတ်နှင့်အထက်)။
- ချောင်းဆိုးသွေးပါခြင်း။
- သလိပ်တွင်သွေးပါခြင်း။
- အဖျားတာရှည်ခြင်း။
- ခံတွင်းပျက်ခြင်း၊ မောပန်းလွယ်ခြင်း။
- ကိုယ်အလေးချိန်လျော့နည်းပိန်ချွမ်းခြင်း။
- ကျောရင်အောင့်ခြင်း။

## (ဂ) ကြိုတင်ကာကွယ်ခြင်း

- ရင်သွေးငယ်များအား ကာကွယ်ဆေး(ဘီစီဂျီ)ကို မပျက်မကွက်တို့ပေးပါ။
- အာဟာရပြည့်ဝသော အစားအစာများကိုစားသုံးပါ။
- သင့်တင့်လျောက်ပတ်သောကိရိယာလုပ်ငန်းမှုပြုလုပ်ပါ။
- ချောင်းဆိုးခြင်း၊ နှာချေချွင်း လက်ကိုင်ပေါ်ကို အသုံးပြုပါ။
- သလိပ်နှင့်တံတွေးကိုစည်းကမ်းမှီ၍ ခြင်းမှရှောင်ကြဉ်ပါ။
- ဆေးလိပ်သောက်ခြင်းမှရှောင်ကြဉ်ပါ။

## (ဃ) ကုသမှုယူခြင်း

- တိုက်ရိုက်ကြည့်ရှုအချိန်တိုနှင့်ကုသခြင်းဖြင့် ရောဂါကင်းသည့်အထိ ကုသမှုခံယူပါ။
- ကုသမှုခံယူခြင်းသည် အခြားသူများသို့ ကူးစက်ရခြင်းမှ အကောင်အထည်ကာကွယ်ခြင်းဖြစ်သည်။
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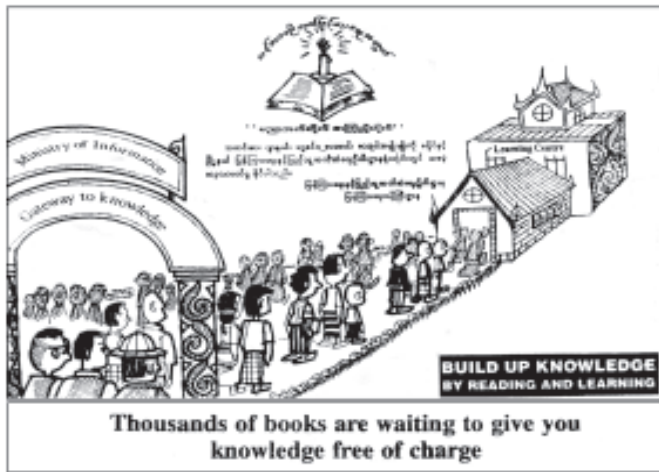
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## ADVERTISEMENT

## India, US to strengthen defence cooperation

**NEW DELHI, 4 June**— India and the United States Thursday said they will strengthen defence cooperation in the backdrop of growing convergence of views on security issues, terrorism, proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and cooperation in development of hi-tech weapons.

Marking the first contact between the two countries after the new government took over here, the sixth Indo-US Defence Policy Group meeting, which concluded its deliberations, noted that ground had been laid for strengthening the military to military cooperation.

Awaiting the new government's response on cooperation in development of an anti-missile shield, the high-level US defence delegation made presentations on the progress in the Missile Defence Programme and the proliferation security initiative.

The US missile presentation was made as Washington renewed its offer to New Delhi to move ahead in cooperation in joint development of the missile shield saying that both countries faced grave threats from the missile menace.

A statement issued after

### Singapore, France start third defence policy dialogue

**SINGAPORE, 4 June**— Singapore and France started here on Thursday their third defence policy dialogue as part of efforts to boost their bilateral defence relations.

According to a statement by Singapore's Ministry of Defence, the annual two-day talks, co-chaired by Singapore's Permanent Secretary for Defence Peter Ho and French Director for Strategic Affairs Marc Perrin de Brichambaut, provide a regular forum for the two sides to discuss bilateral defence cooperation and defence and security issues of mutual interest.

MNA/Xinhua

the meeting said the two countries had now "growing areas of convergence" on cooperation in hi-tech weapons systems, terrorism, proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and security of sea-lanes.

"We have renewed the offer as well as placed moves to substantially increase the content of joint military to military exercises in the meeting," Douglas J. Feith visiting US Undersecretary of Defence for Policy told newsmen here.

MNA/PTI

### Computer failure at British air traffic control

**LONDON, 4 June**— Britain's computer operated air traffic control system crashed on Thursday morning temporarily grounding all flights, but after a 45-minute outage it was being restored, officials said.

"Some flights are arriving at Heathrow and our next lot of flights will be leaving, although there will be heavy delays," a spokesman for British Airways told Reuters.

A spokeswoman for Manchester Airport in northern England said the system crashed at just after 0500 GMT, but was partially restored by 0555 GMT.

"I am told the system is now operational again, and flights are restarting. But there will obviously be heavy delays," she said. "There will obviously be flow problems."

Reuters reporter Paul Majendie at Heathrow Airport said he had been told there would be delays of at least three hours.

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### Ford Motor sales down 3% in May

**WASHINGTON, 4 June**— The Ford Motor Co reported on Wednesday that it sold 317,471 new cars and trucks in May, down by 3 per cent from the same month of 2003.

Ford, the second largest automaker in the United States, said demand for its flagship vehicles — the F-Series pick-up truck, Escape SUV, and Focus compact car — held up, but most of its brands took a battering.

For the five months of the year to date, Ford's sales are down by 2 per cent from a year ago to 1.4 million units. The company also said it plans to build 755,000 vehicles in its North American assembly plants in the third quarter 2004, down from 786,000 units last year.

DaimlerChrysler's Chrysler Group said on Wednesday that its sales of new cars and trucks increased by 5 per cent in May from the same month a year ago. The group sold 220,131 units last month, up from 217,411 units in the same month of last year.

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## မြန်မာ့ပြန်လည်ထူထောင်ရေး

### Top legislator says China-Europe closer ties benefits both

**OSLO, 4 June**— A closer China-Europe relationship will benefit both sides and the whole world, said visiting top Chinese legislator Wu Bangguo on Thursday when delivering a keynote speech at the Oslo Conference Centre.

Wu, chairman of the Standing Committee of the Chinese National People's Congress, is paying an official good-will visit to Norway. He said peace and development have been challenged by unilateralism, terrorism, regional conflicts and wars, cross-border crimes and widening gap between the developed and developing countries.

The whole world should

work together to face these challenges and difficulties, he said, noting that China will stick to its independent foreign policy, which takes world peace and common development as its goal.

He said China opposes the use of force or the threatened use of force, advocates the democratization of international relations, equal consultation among all parties and extensive participa-

tion in the management of issues.

The top legislator said countries of different cultures or pursuing different modes of development should respect each other, coexist in harmony and seek common ground while reserving differences.

The whole world should, said Wu, strengthen cooperation in eradicating poverty and protecting the environment for a better future.

Europe, an important force in securing world peace and development, has no fundamental conflict of interests with China, Wu said, noting China treats and develops the relations with Europe from a strategic perspective.

China and Europe share common interests, and have identical or similar views on and cooperate closely in major issues concerning world peace and development, he said.

Wu said the China-Europe relationship is in a most dynamic and fruitful period, featuring wider mutual understanding, rapid development of business cooperation and remarkable progress in wide-ranging exchanges.

History has proved and will continue to prove that developing relations between China and Europe conforms to the interests of both sides and benefits both regional and world peace and prosperity, he said.

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### Philippines increases protection against maritime terrorism

**MANILA, 4 June**— The Philippine authorities have deployed armed sea marshals on passenger ships of major sea lanes in the Philippines to guard against maritime terrorism.

Up to six marshals from either the Coast Guard, Armed Forces or National Police have been on board passenger ships leaving the Port of Manila since March, Vice-Admiral Arthur Gosingan of the Philippine Coast Guard said Thursday.

"They are there to protect the passengers and ships from terrorist activity," he said, adding that domestic shipping lines themselves have increased onboard security on their vessels. At least one of the major ferry firms in the Philippines now have trained bomb-sniffing dogs on board their vessels at all times, he added.

"Terrorism is a concern of all, including the civilian populace because their targets are not military," Gosingan said.

Security concerns over the

vulnerability of the shipping sector mounted after the sea mishap of the *Superferry 14* at Manila Bay on February 27, which killed more than 100 passengers and crew.

Investigators now tend to discount sabotage as the cause of the deadly blaze, he added. The possibility of piped liquefied petroleum gas leaking into cabins below the mess hall, causing a large explosion, is being investigated.

However, ship owners meeting government representatives after the ferry disaster demanded increased protection against potential terrorism, Gosingan said.

Sea transport is the main traffic way of some 44.37 million people, or more than half the Philippine population every year, according to a local study.

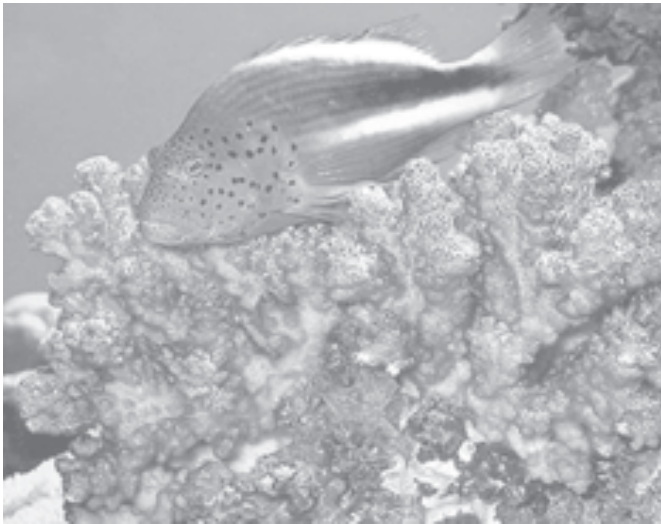
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Thai and foreign chefs join hands in cooking the world's biggest Padthai or fried noodle Thai style outside a shopping mall in Bangkok, on 3 June, 2004. Fifteen chefs from local and international restaurants in Bangkok and abroad gathered around a diameter of 2.35 meters (7.75 feet) pan, cooking the dish with a mixing of 150 kgs (68 pounds) of white noodles, 840 eggs, 140 kgs (63 pounds) of shrimps plus some of the vegetables which can serve 1,200 people sponsored by Thai Restaurant Association to help promote the country's tourism. The fried noodles were served to passers-by free of charge. — INTERNET



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A colourful fish passes by a coral in Turkey's coast in the Mediterranean Sea. Cold-water corals are much more widespread than previously thought but nevertheless face serious threat, the United Nations warned. — INTERNET

## Russian tax officials raid YUKOS headquarters

MOSCOW, 3 June—Tax police raided the offices of embattled Russian oil firm on Thursday in the latest search for evidence relating to claims of tax evasion by the company, YUKOS said.

"Searches are being conducted in our head office and old offices," a company spokesman said. "The tax officials are demanding documents relating to YUKOS for 1998-2000."

The raid is the latest of a string of searches conducted by tax police. YUKOS is contesting a 3.4-billion-US-dollar tax ministry claim relating to the 2000 financial year, which the firm has said could drive it into bankruptcy.

YUKOS came under strong selling pressure after a Moscow appeals court on Monday upheld an earlier ruling in favour of a suit brought by erstwhile partner Sibneft to annul a YUKOS share issue which funded a failed merger last year.

The company has lost about one quarter of its value in the last week, sinking to its lowest levels since February 2002. — MNA/Reuters

## Philippines to focus on ocean protection on "WED" celebration

MANILA, 4 June—The Philippines Government will join other nations in celebrating the World Environment Day (WED) on Saturday with the theme as "Wanted! Seas and Oceans-Dead or Alive?" Philippine News Agency (PNA) reported Wednesday.

Environment and Natural Resources Secretary Elisea G. Gozun told the PNA that the celebration will emphasize the importance of the seas and oceans in the country's sustainable development.

The celebration of the World Environment Day is primarily intended to give a human face to environmental issues; empower people to become active agents of sustainable development; and promote an understanding that communities are pivotal to changing attitudes towards the environment, Gozun said.

He also said that the celebration this year will include signing a commitment for the protection of seas and oceans, dragon boat rowing competition, the coastal clean-up, a 34-kilometre cycling for clean air, mangrove planting and photo exhibition.

The World Environment Day, commemorated every year, is one of the main vehicles through which the United Nations system stimulates worldwide awareness of the environment in the hope to enhance political attention and action.

MNA/Xinhua

## Meteorite lights up US Pacific northwest sky

SEATTLE, 4 June—A meteorite streaked across the clear skies above Washington State and the Canadian province of British Columbia early on Thursday, callers and astronomers reported, with some reporting sonic booms and a bright flash.

"It was a natural phenomenon and not a piece of reentering space debris," said Geoff Chester of the US Naval Observatory in Washington, DC "What we're looking at here is something that's about the size of a computer monitor or a large suitcase."

Witnesses in British Columbia and Washington State reported the flash at about 2.40 am local time.

Radars rarely catch meteorites, said Allen Kenitzer of the Federal Aviation Administration's northwest mountain region office.

MNA/Reuters

## Hari Kostov becomes Macedonian Premier

SKOPIE, 4 June—The Macedonian Parliament has endorsed former interior minister Hari Kostov as the new prime minister, filling the post vacated by Branko Crvenkovski when he was elected president in mid-May.

The 120-seat Parliament approved Kostov by a margin of 68 votes to 12 in a vote late on Wednesday after three days of debate.

The former banker is Crvenkovski's handpicked successor. Although not an official member of Crvenkovski's Social Democratic Party, Kostov is a close ally of the new president and became police chief when his coalition won elections in 2002.

The 44-year-old told members of Parliament on Monday he would continue a policy of economic reform and progress toward European Union and NATO membership. — MNA/Reuters

## Pakistan test fires another missile

ISLAMABAD, 5 June—Pakistan on Friday successfully test-fired a ballistic missile capable of carrying nuclear warheads, the second such test in less than a week, a military official said.

"We have conducted another test of *Ghauri* missile," a military official told *Reuters*. He gave no details.

On Saturday, Pakistan test-fired a *Ghauri* missile capable of carrying all types of warheads and travelling up to 900 miles. Pakistan says its weapons programme is a response to that of India, with which it has fought three wars since both countries won independence from Britain in 1947. Analysts say the tests were a signal to the new Indian Government that Pakistan would not lower its guard despite tentative peace moves in recent months. Both countries, which went to the brink of a fourth war in 2002, have vowed to carry forward their peace process launched last year despite a change of government in India.

The two sides agreed this week that their experts would meet on June 19 and 20 in New Delhi for talks on nuclear confidence-building measures, while foreign secretaries would meet there from June 27-28. Pakistan test-fired the *Shaheen II* ballistic missile, with a range of 1,250 miles, in March. It said the missile was capable of carrying nuclear warheads to every corner of India.

*Ghauri* and *Shaheen* are different versions of a Pakistani missile series named *Hafz*, which is a reference to an ancient Islamic weapon.

India has its own ambitious missile programme and plans to test this year the longest-range version yet of *Agni*, its nuclear-capable ballistic missile. The *Ghauri* missile was developed by Khan Research Laboratories, Pakistan's main uranium-enrichment facility, which was named for Abdul Qadeer Khan, once revered as the father of the country's atom bomb. — MNA/Reuters



Two, two week-old wolf cubs play in a zoo in the southern Russian town of Stavropol on 1 June, 2004. The cubs, part of a litter of eight, were shown to the public for the first time on Tuesday. — INTERNET

## Indiana boy wins US spelling bee, runner-up faints

WASHINGTON, 4 June—In a new definition of a fainting spell, the runner-up in the National Spelling Bee apparently fainted on Thursday when asked to spell "alopecoid" in the contest eventually won by a 14-year-old Indiana boy.

Akshay Buddiga, 13, from Colorado Springs, Colorado, recovered enough to spell the word correctly and continued into the championship round, but he stood out from the crowd by spelling from a seated position, unlike the other competitors, who remained standing as they spelled.

Buddiga lost on the word "schwärmerei," a German term that means adulation.

He got plenty of that and a standing ovation from the hundreds of defeated spell-

ers, their families, friends and teachers who watched the three-day competition.

The champion was David Tidmarsh, whose final winning word was "autochthonous," meaning indigenous.

Tidmarsh, from South Bend, Indiana, also triumphed over such spelling nightmares as "sumpsimus," "sophrosyne" and "serpiginous."

That feat won Tidmarsh a 12,000 US dollars cash prize and a huge loving cup

he seemed barely able to grasp after the strain of spelling. As soon as he realized he had spelled the final word correctly, he covered his face with his identifying placard and acknowledged later he was crying tears of joy.

He said his favourite movie was "Spellbound," a documentary about the National Spelling Bee, an annual rite of nerves for children under the age of 16 administered by E W Scripps Co and some 250 other sponsors. — MNA/Reuters

## Princess Diana's mother dies at 68

LONDON, 4 June—The late Princess Diana's mother died on Thursday after a long illness, her family said. Frances Shand Kydd was 68.

"Earl Spencer's mother passed away peacefully this morning after suffering from a long illness. Now this is private time for the family to grieve," said a spokesman for Diana's brother Earl Charles Spencer.

Shand Kydd, who lived in Scotland, was estranged from Diana at the time of her death in 1997 and had not spoken to her daughter for months. But she told biographers that she viewed the rift as temporary.

MNA/Reuters

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## SPORTS

## Chelsea's Veron joins Inter on year loan

MILAN, 4 June — Argentine midfielder Juan Sebastian Veron will join Inter Milan from Chelsea on a season's loan, the Serie A club said on Thursday.

Veron, 29, is the first player to leave the west London Premier League club since Chelsea manager Jose Mourinho promised a clearout after formally taking over on Wednesday.

A Chelsea statement said Veron would join the Milan club for a year from July 1. Veron played in Italy for Lazio, Parma and Sampdoria before moving to Manchester United for a British record fee of 28.1 million pounds (51.56 million US dollars) in 2001.

He failed to shine at Old Trafford, finding it hard to adapt to the more physical Premier League game. Manager Alex Ferguson favoured him for Champions League ties but often left him out of domestic matches.

Veron joined Chelsea from Manchester United in a 15-million-pound (26-million-US-dollar) deal shortly after Russian billionaire Roman Abramovich bought the club last July, but endured a miserable season because of a back injury, making only 14 appearances.

MNA/Reuters

## Beckham dismisses injury concerns

MANCHESTER (England), 4 June — England captain David Beckham confirmed on Thursday he would be fit for England's Euro 2004 opener with France on June 13.

Beckham sustained a knock to a cut on his ankle during England's 1-1 draw with Japan on Tuesday but said he would be available for their final friendly against Iceland on Saturday.

"It is fine. There is a niggle I have had for a few weeks but it is not a problem," he told reporters.

Beckham almost missed the 2002 World Cup in Japan and South Korea after breaking his foot prior to the tournament. He took part in the finals after intensive treatment but was never fully fit.

MNA/Reuters



Tatiana Golovin and Richard Gasquet of France kiss the trophy after winning against Cara and Wayne Black of Zimbabwe in the mixed final of the French Open tennis tournament at Roland Garros stadium in Paris, on 4 June, 2004. Golovin and Gasquet won 6-3, 6-4. — INTERNET

## Real Madrid to visit Japan in summer tour

MADRID, 4 June — Real Madrid will pay its visit to Japan this summer, the Spanish First Division giant club said on its web site Wednesday.

Madrid's five-day tour in Japan, taking place from 27 July to 1 August, includes

exhibition games on 29 July and August 1, although the opponents and venues have still to be decided.

David Beckham scored his first goal for Real Madrid in Japan during the team's Asian tour last summer. Madrid beat FC Tokyo 3-0 at the National Stadium.

Madrid had planned a longer and more extensive foreign tour but has been forced to modify its summer schedule following its failure to qualify directly for the Champions League, obliging it to play qualifying games in August against an as-yet unknown opponent.

Madrid ended this season without a major trophy for the first time since 1999. The star-studded team lost its last five matches, the worst streak in its history, and finished fourth in the league.

MNA/Xinhua

## Ronaldo erases flab controversy with penalty hat-trick

RIO DE JANEIRO, 4 June — Ronaldo buried memories of Real Madrid's dismal end to the season and speculation that he is putting on weight with his penalty hat-trick in Brazil's 3-1 win over Argentina on Wednesday.

Brazilian television commentators have openly described the Brazil number nine as "a little on the fat side" in recent months, angering Ronaldo.

"My ideal weight is 88 kilos, I don't know how much I weigh at the moment and I don't really care," he said before the World Cup qualifier in Belo Horizonte.

Against Argentina, Ronaldo made the question irrelevant and looked as sharp as he won all three penalties and then converted them all. All three were awarded in similar circumstances.

Ronaldo picked up the ball midway inside the Argentine half, ran straight at the heart of the Argentine defence and enticed his opponents to trip him up.

On the first occasion, it was Gabriel Heinze who floored him with a late, sliding tackle. Javier Mascherano was next with a reckless challenge from behind and finally,

deep into injury time, goalkeeper Pablo Cavallo.

There have been at least three international hat-tricks of penalties before, converted by Henrik Larsson in Sweden's 6-0 win over Moldova in June 2001, by Kubilay Turkylmaz in Switzerland's 5-1 win over Faroe Islands the year before and by Dimitris Saravakos, who also got two from open play, in Greece's 6-1 friendly win over Egypt in 1990. At the other end of the scale, Argentina's Martin Palermo missed three penalties in a Copa America match against Colombia in 1999.

This was, however, the first time a penalty hat-trick has been converted in such a prestigious match and almost certainly the only time the scorer has won all the penalties himself.

The two rival coaches agreed that the phenomenon — leading goalscorer at the 2002 World Cup with eight goals — had once again made the difference. — MNA/Reuters

## First leg of Olympic torch relay starts in Sydney

SYDNEY, 4 June — The first leg of Athens Olympic flame's global relay started here Friday morning, with Cathy Freeman, the Sydney Olympic women's 400-metre champion, becoming the first bearer.

The Athens Olympic torch relay will be the first-ever real global tour to go through the five continents in the Olympic history. It will involve 11,000 torch bearers in 34 cities of 27 countries and regions.

A chartered jumbo jet dubbed Zeus and carrying the flame arrived at the Sydney airport at 6:10 am (2010 Thursday GMT).

The flame was received by Australian Acting Prime

Minister John Anderson and Australian Olympic Committee President John Coates.

Freeman, who lit the cauldron at the Sydney Olympic Games, raised high her Athens torch before a wall of cameramen and ran hundreds of metres along side the Sydney harbour.

Crowds of people lined along the route and cheered

loud and took photos when the torch passed. Radio and TV broadcast live the relay process to millions of listeners and watchers.

A total of 277 people, including dozens of sports stars, will carry the flame in the Australian leg of the relay, which will go through Melbourne, the host city of 1956 Olympic Games, on Saturday. — MNA/Xinhua

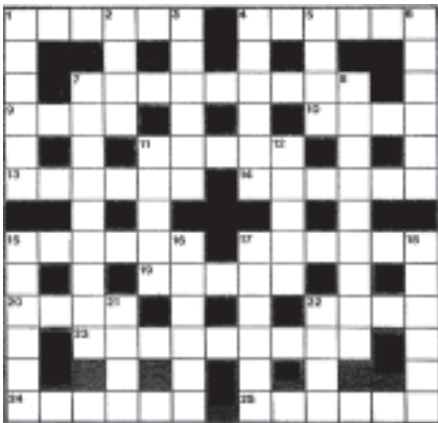
## Scolari to continue coaching Portuguese football team

LISBON, 4 June — Brazilian coach Luiz Felipe Scolari denied Wednesday holding contacts with Benfica and said he will continue to coach the Portuguese soccer national team if it reaches the quarterfinals of the European Championship. Scolari is in the list of Benfica to replace Spanish Jose Antonio Camacho, who recently signed a contract with Real Madrid of Spain.

The Benfica needed an answer that Scolari claimed he could not give for now. "I have a contract with the Portuguese Football Federation till next 31 July and a commitment with its President Gilberto Madai," Scolari said.

It was revealed that there is a mutual interest in extending the contract till the 2006 World Cup, but that depends on the results that the Portugal team will obtain in the Euro 2004, to be held on their soil from 12 June to 4 July. — MNA/Xinhua

## Crossword Puzzle



## ACROSS

- 1 Story in instalments
- 4 Mail-boat
- 7 Offer services freely
- 9 Persia
- 10 Cry
- 11 Swift
- 13 Guard
- 14 Hearsay
- 15 Abstain
- 17 Corsair
- 19 Wading-bird
- 20 Welsh emblem
- 22 Judge
- 23 Quarrelled
- 24 Result
- 25 Infer

## DOWN

- 1 Sequence
- 2 Press
- 3 Noisily
- 4 Golf-club
- 5 Ship's company
- 6 Lethargy
- 7 Lacquered
- 8 Restored
- 11 Cheeky
- 12 Italian car centre
- 15 Expand
- 16 Occupant
- 17 Teemed
- 18 Stoot
- 21 Aerial toy
- 22 Act

## Greece overcome battling Liechtenstein in friendly

ATHENS, 4 June — Greece scored a 2-0 victory over a battling Liechtenstein in a rain-drenched international soccer friendly at Rheinpark Stadium in Vaduz on Thursday.

The Greeks opened a tight Liechtenstein defence when Fiorentina striker Zisis Vryzas pounced on a loose ball after a Vassilis Tsartas cross in the 24th minute.

In the second half, Greece coach Otto Rehhagel experimented with a more aggressive midfield which paid off two minutes from time when Werder Bremen's Haristeas tapped after Angelos Basinas crossed from the left.

The Greeks were missing four first-choice players, including striker Demis Nikolaidis and central defender Nikos Dabizas who are recovering from minor injuries. Greece, topping their qualifying pool, will play opening Euro 2004 Group A match against hosts Portugal. They also play Spain and Russia in their group games at Euro 2004. — MNA/Xinhua



Brazilian soccer star Ronaldo (R) and his teammate Roberto Carlos smile during their practice at San Carlos de Apoquindo in Santiago, on 4 June, 2004. The Brazilian national team will face Chile on 6 June for seventh World Cup qualifying match. — INTERNET



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- 9:06 Typical Traditional Customs of Mor Shan
- 9:10 **Headline News**
- 9:12 A Hidden Treasure (Kekku)
- 9:15 **National News**
- 9:20 Lawka Nanda Sanctuary Garden
- 9:25 Magnificent Pindaing-san Dance
- 9:30 **National News**
- 9:35 Bagan Archaeological Museum
- 9:40 Song "From The Golden National Convention Towards"
- 9:42 Myanmar's Pride: The Art of Carving
- 9:45 **National News**
- 9:50 Let's Talk About Lahu Nationals
- 9:58 Song of Myanmar Beauty & Scenic Sight "Come and See Myanmar"

## 6-6-2004 (Sunday) Evening Transmission (15:30 - 17:30)

- 15:30 Signature Tune
- 15:32 Greeting
- 15:32 Song of Myanmar Beauty & Scenic Sight "Mingalabar"
- 15:36 Typical Traditional Customs of Mor Shan
- 15:40 **Headline News**
- 15:42 A Hidden Treasure (Kekku)
- 15:45 **National News**
- 15:50 Lawka Nanda Sanctuary Garden
- 15:55 Magnificent Pindaing-san Dance
- 16:00 **National News**
- 16:05 Bagan Archaeological Museum
- 16:10 Song "From The Golden National Convention Towards"
- 16:12 Myanmar's Pride: The Art of Carving
- 16:15 **National News**
- 16:20 Let's Talk About Lahu Nationals

- 16:25 Song of Myanmar Beauty & Scenic Sight "Myanmar Panorama & Myanmar Sentiment"
- 16:30 **National News**
- 16:35 School for the Blind
- 16:40 Vegetable and Fruit Research and Development Centre
- 16:45 **National News**
- 16:50 Three Dimensional Gems Studded Painting
- 16:55 Scenic Beauty of Tiddim & Cultural Dance
- 17:00 **National News**
- 17:05 Songs On Screen "My Ardent Wish"
- 17:10 Red Panda
- 17:15 **National News**
- 17:20 Towards Speedy Development of Loilem District (Part-III)
- 17:25 Song of Myanmar Beauty & Scenic Sight "Come and See Myanmar"

## Evening Transmission (19:30 - 23:30)

- 19:30 Signature Tune
- 19:32 Greeting
- 19:32 Song of Myanmar Beauty & Scenic Sight "Myanmar Panorama & Myanmar Sentiment"
- 19:36 The Alaung Daw Kathapa National Park
- 19:40 **Headline News**
- 19:42 The Art of Stone Sculpture
- 19:45 **National News**
- 19:50 The Beauty and the Chinlone
- 19:55 Long Drum Folk Song & Dance
- 19:58 Lobsters Trading
- 20:00 **National News**
- 20:05 Women with Remarkable Necks
- 20:10 Song "Moonlight Flower"
- 20:12 Preservation of Myanmar Star Tortoise
- 20:15 **National News**
- 20:20 Environmental Situation in Myanmar
- 20:25 Song "Hill Steps Town"
- 20:30 **National News**
- 20:35 Pa-na-ma Aae'Khan Gita Than (Welcoming music, a curtain raiser)
- 20:40 Their Master's Images
- 20:45 **National News**
- 20:50 Myanmar Movies Impacts

- 21:00 **National News**
- 21:05 Traditional Weaving Art
- 21:10 Song "Hill Resort Town"
- 21:12 Traditional Medical Training School
- 21:15 **National News**

- 21:20 Towards Speedy Development of Loilem District (Part-II)
- 21:25 Song of Myanmar Beauty & Scenic Sight "Mingalabar"
- 21:35 Typical Traditional Customs of Mor Shan
- 21:40 **Headline News**
- 21:42 A Hidden Treasure (Kekku)
- 21:45 **National News**
- 21:50 Lawka Nanda Sanctuary Garden
- 21:55 Magnificent Pindaing-san Dance
- 22:00 **National News**
- 22:05 Bagan Archaeological Museum
- 22:10 Song "From The Golden National Convention Towards"
- 22:12 Myanmar's Pride: The Art of Carving
- 22:15 **National News**
- 22:20 Let's Talk About Lahu Nationals
- 22:25 Song of Myanmar Beauty & Scenic Sight "Myanmar Panorama & Myanmar Sentiment"
- 22:30 **National News**
- 22:35 School for the Blind
- 22:40 Vegetable and Fruit Research and Development Centre
- 22:45 **National News**
- 22:50 Three Dimensional Gems Studded Painting
- 22:55 Scenic Beauty of Tiddim & Cultural Dance
- 23:00 **National News**
- 23:05 Songs On Screen "My Ardent Wish"
- 23:10 Red Panda
- 23:15 **National News**
- 23:20 Towards Speedy Development of Loilem District (Part-III)
- 23:28 Song of Myanmar Beauty & Scenic Sight "Come and See Myanmar"

## 6-6-2004 (Sunday) Evening Transmission & Morning Transmission (23:30 - 1:30)

- 23:30 Signature Tune
- 23:32 Greeting
- 23:32 Song of Myanmar Beauty & Scenic Sight "Mingalabar"
- 23:35 Typical Traditional Customs of Mor Shan
- 23:40 **Headline News**
- 23:42 A Hidden Treasure (Kekku)
- 23:45 **National News**
- 23:50 Lawka Nanda Sanctuary Garden
- 23:55 Magnificent Pindaing-san Dance
- 24:00 **National News**

- 00:05 Bagan Archaeological Museum
- 00:10 Song "From The Golden National Convention Towards"
- 00:12 Myanmar's Pride: The Art of Carving
- 00:15 **National News**
- 00:20 Let's Talk About Lahu Nationals
- 00:25 Song of Myanmar Beauty & Scenic Sight "Myanmar Panorama & Myanmar Sentiment"
- 00:30 **National News**
- 00:35 School for the Blind
- 00:40 Vegetable and Fruit Research and Development Centre
- 00:45 **National News**
- 00:50 Three Dimensional Gems Studded Painting
- 00:55 Scenic Beauty of Tiddim & Cultural Dance
- 01:00 **National News**
- 01:05 Songs On Screen "My Ardent Wish"
- 01:10 Red Panda
- 01:15 **National News**
- 01:20 Towards Speedy Development of Loilem District (Part-III)
- 01:25 Song of Myanmar Beauty & Scenic Sight "Come and See Myanmar"

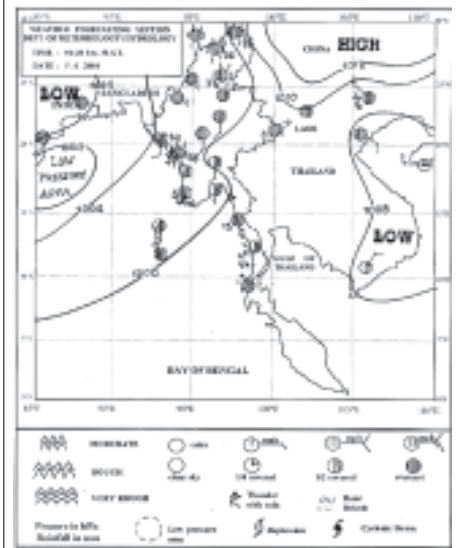
## 7-6-2004 (Monday) Morning Transmission (03:30 - 07:30)

- 03:30 Signature Tune
- 03:32 Greeting
- 03:32 Song of Myanmar Beauty & Scenic Sight "Myanmar Panorama & Myanmar Sentiment"
- 03:36 The Alaung Daw Kathapa National Park
- 03:40 **Headline News**
- 03:42 The Art of Stone Sculpture
- 03:45 **National News**
- 03:50 The Beauty and the Chinlone
- 03:55 Long Drum Folk Song & Dance
- 03:58 Lobsters Trading
- 04:00 **National News**
- 04:05 Women with Remarkable Necks
- 04:10 Song "Moonlight Flower"
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- 04:15 **National News**
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- 04:30 **National News**
- 04:35 Pa-na-ma Aae'Khan Gita Than (Welcoming music, a curtain raiser)
- 04:40 Their Master's Images
- 04:45 **National News**
- 04:50 Myanmar Movies Impacts

- 05:00 **National News**
- 05:05 Traditional Weaving Art
- 05:10 Song "Hill Resort Town"
- 05:12 Traditional Medical Training School
- 05:15 **National News**
- 05:20 Towards Speedy Development of Loilem District (Part-II)
- 05:25 Song of Myanmar Beauty & Scenic Sight "Mingalabar"
- 05:36 Typical Traditional Customs of Mor Shan
- 05:40 **Headline News**
- 05:42 A Hidden Treasure (Kekku)
- 05:45 **National News**
- 05:50 Lawka Nanda Sanctuary Garden
- 05:55 Magnificent Pindaing-san Dance
- 06:00 **National News**
- 06:05 Bagan Archaeological Museum
- 06:10 Song "From The Golden National Convention Towards"

- 06:12 Myanmar's Pride: The Art of Carving
- 06:15 **National News**
- 06:20 Let's Talk About Lahu Nationals
- 06:25 Song "We'll be waiting for you"
- 06:30 **National News**
- 06:35 School for the Blind
- 06:40 Vegetable and Fruit Research and Development Centre
- 06:45 **National News**
- 06:50 Three Dimensional Gems Studded Painting
- 06:55 Scenic Beauty of Tiddim & Cultural Dance
- 07:00 **National News**
- 07:05 Songs On Screen "My Ardent Wish"
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- 07:15 **National News**
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- 07:28 Song of Myanmar Beauty & Scenic Sight "Come and See Myanmar"

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



## WEATHER

Saturday, 5 June, 2004

**Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hours MST:** During the past 24 hours, rain or thundershowers have been widespread in Kachin State, upper Sagaing and Ayeyawady Divisions, scattered in Rakhine State, Bago, Yangon and Taninthayi Divisions, isolated in Shan State, lower Sagaing, Mandalay and Magway Divisions and weather has been partly cloudy in the remaining areas. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Katha (2.36) inches and Kyaukpadaung (1.93) inches.

Maximum temperature on 4-6-2004 was 32.5°C (91°F). Minimum temperature on 5-6-2004 was 20.8°C (69°F). Relative humidity at 9:30 hrs MST on 5-6-2004 was 82%. Total sunshine hours on 4-6-2004 was (4.8) hours approx. Rainfall on 5-6-2004 was 2mm (0.08 inch) at Yangon Airport, 1mm (0.04 inch) at Kaba-Aye and 25mm (0.98 inch) at central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2004 was 525mm (20.67 inches) at Yangon Airport and 458mm (18.03 inches) at Kaba-Aye and 592 mm (23.30 inches) at central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was 6 mph from Southeast at (10:30) hours MST on 4-6-2004. **Bay inference:** According to the observations at (12:30) hrs MST today, a low pressure area has formed over West Central Bay and adjoining Southwest Bay. Monsoon is weak to moderate in the Bay of Bengal.

**Forecast valid until evening of 6-6-2004:** Rain or thundershowers will be widespread in Kachin, Chin, Shan States, Taninthayi Division and isolated to scattered in the remaining areas with likelihood of isolated heavyfall in Kachin State. Degree of certainty is (80%).

**State of the sea:** Seas will be moderate in Myanmar waters. **Outlook for subsequent two days:** Weak to moderate Monsoon. **Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 6-6-2004:** One or two rains or thundershowers with sunny period. Degree of certainty is (80%). **Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 6-6-2004:** Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).

## Significant Water Level Bulletin

(Issued at 12:00 hrs MST on 5-6-2004)  
According to the 06:30 hrs MST observation today, the water level (582) cm of Chindwin river at Kamti shows a sharp rise of (204) cm (about 7 feet) within 24 hrs. The Chindwin water level will sharply rise about 180 cm (about 6 feet) above the present water level along Chindwin River during the next 2 to 5 days.



Sunday, June 6

## View today:

- 7:00 am
- 1. Recitation of Parittas by Missionary Sayardaw U Ottamathara
- 7:15 am
- 2. တိပိဋကဓမ္မ ဓမ္မာဏ္ဍာဂါရိတ၊ အပ္ပမာဒပဏ္ဍိတ၊ ဘဒ္ဒန္တဗိမ္ဗာတိဝံသ (ဓမ္မာတရစတိ) ဓမ္မာဏ္ဍာဂါရိတ၊ အပ္ပမာဒပဏ္ဍိတ၊ ဘဒ္ဒန္တဗိမ္ဗာတိဝံသ
- 7:25 am
- 3. To be healthy exercise
- 7:30 am
- 4. Morning news
- 7:40 am
- 5. Nice and sweet song
- 7:55 am
- 6. ယဉ်ကျေးသော (၃၈) ခြောက်လ
- 8:15 am
- 7. အဆိုပြိုင်ပွဲ
- 8:25 am
- 8. ပုလဲအေးရာလှောင်တံခွန်
- 8:30 am
- 9. International news
- 8:45 am
- 10. Say it in English

- 11:00 am
- 1. Martial song
- 11:05 am
- 2. Musical programme
- 11:20 am
- 3. Round-up of the week's international news
- 11:30 am
- 4. နိုင်ငံခြားစာတတ်လမ်းတွဲ "နဂါးရိုးခေတ္တ" (အပိုင်း-၄၈)
- 12:05 pm
- 5. စစ်ကိုင်းတိုင်း ပုသိမ်လှည့်တား
- 12:15 pm
- 6. Myanmar Movie; "ပန်းတစ်ပွင့်ခနဲဆင့်မြင့်" လွင်ဇိုး၊ လွင်ဇိုး၊ ဆက်သက်မိုးဦး၊ လှည့်လည်တင် ပါရိကတ-ကြည့်ရှုသူ
- 2:45 pm
- 7. International news
- 4:00 pm
- 1. Martial song
- 4:15 pm
- 2. Songs to uphold National Spirit
- 4:30 pm
- 3. English for Everyday Use
- 4:45 pm
- 4. သာယာဝိသေ(၃၈)ပြာ မင်္ဂလာစာတား
- 4:55 pm
- 5. အဆောင်တက္ကသိုလ် လှည့်လည် ရုပ်မြင်သံကြားသင်ခန်းစာ - ပထမပုဒ် (သိပ္ပံအထူးပြုအားလုံး) (ဓမ္မာဓမ္မာ)

- 5:15 pm
- 6. Dances of national races
- 5:25 pm
- 7. Agricultural Force
- Country's Development
- 5:35 pm
- 8. Musical programme
- 5:45 pm
- 9. ကချင်ပြည်နယ် ဝတ်စားဆင်ယင်မှု
- 5:50 pm
- 10. Sing and Enjoy
- 6:30 pm
- 11. Evening news
- 7:00 pm
- 12. Weather report
- 7:05 pm
- 13. နိုင်ငံခြားစာတတ်လမ်းတွဲ "နဂါးရိုးခေတ္တ" (အပိုင်း-၄၈)
- 7:30 pm
- 14. စာအုပ်သစ်တင် ကဏ္ဍတို့အနေ
- 7:45 pm
- 15. ကျေးလက်ဒေသတစ်ခွင်အလှည့်
- 8:00 pm
- 16. News
- 17. International news
- 18. Weather report
- 19. Myanmar Video Feature "မုလေလှည့်ပုံ" (အပိုင်း-၂) ကျေးလက်၊ ချေး၊ ဇိုးမြတ်နိုး၊ မြတ်တော်သီအောင် ပါရိကတ-ကြည့်ရှုသူ (အလှည့်စဉ်)
- 21. The next day's programme



## Sunday, June 6 Tune in today:

- 8:30 am Brief news
- 8:35 am Music: Beautiful life (Ace of base)
- 8:40 am Perspectives
- 8:45 am Music: Too fancy (Debbie Gibson)
- 8:50 am National news/ Slogan
- 9:00 am Music: Witch doctor (Cartoons)
- 9:05 am International news
- 9:10 am Music: Close to you (Fun Factory)
- 1:30 pm News/Slogan
- 1:40 pm Lunch time music -Story for children -Songs for children
- 9:00 pm Weekly news review
- 9:10 pm Music
- 9:15 pm Article
- 9:25 pm Let's Improve English Through Songs/Latest Hits/ Adapted originals Listen to your heart(Roxette)
- 9:45 pm News/Slogan
- 10:00 pm PEL

**Four political objectives**

- \* Stability of the State, community peace and tranquillity, prevalence of law and order
- \* National reconsolidation
- \* Emergence of a new enduring State Constitution
- \* Building of a new modern developed nation in accord with the new State Constitution

**Four economic objectives**

- \* Development of agriculture as the base and all-round development of other sectors of the economy as well
- \* Proper evolution of the market-oriented economic system
- \* Development of the economy inviting participation in terms of technical know-how and investments from sources inside the country and abroad
- \* The initiative to shape the national economy must be kept in the hands of the State and the national peoples

**Four social objectives**

- \* Uplift of the morale and morality of the entire nation
- \* Uplift of national prestige and integrity and preservation and safeguarding of cultural heritage and national character
- \* Uplift of dynamism of patriotic spirit
- \* Uplift of health, fitness and education standards of the entire nation



*Prime Minister General Khin Nyunt delivers an address at City Housing Project Supervisory Committee Meeting.— MNA*

## Yangon City upgraded and renovated to possess characteristics of an international city Meeting No 2/2004 of City Housing Project Supervisory Committee held

YANGON, 5 June—Chairman of City Housing Project Supervisory Committee Prime Minister General Khin Nyunt addressed the meeting No 2/2004 of the Supervisory Committee held at the meeting hall of Department of Human Settlement and Housing Development under the Ministry of Construction on Bogyoke Aung San Road here this morning. Also present on the occasion were Chairman of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Maj-Gen Myint Swe, ministers, the Yangon Mayor, deputy ministers, the Vice-Mayor, members of the Supervisory Committee, officials of the State Peace and Development Council, heads of department and others.

In his address, Chairman of the Supervisory Committee Prime Minister General Khin Nyunt said that continued efforts are to be made to complete housing projects under implementation at every opportunity as new housing projects cannot be implemented in the rainy season.

In undertaking housing projects under implementation it is required to maintain the proper flow of drains which

can be blocked by a series of the construction work.

The Commander of Yangon Command is taking close supervision for proper flow of drains in Yangon City, and those who are engaged in implementing housing projects and departmental officials, on their part, are to provide assistance for successful realization of the project.

Upgrading and renovation measures are being taken for Yangon City to possess the characteristics of a city of international level, and there still much to be done.

Keeping pace with advancement in science and technology there have been changes and developments in methods and techniques of construction. Thus, modern techniques and construction methods are to be applied keeping abreast of the times. Housing buildings undertaken by private sectors need to be magnificent and splendid meeting the set standard while efforts are to be made for renovation of old buildings.

Steps are being taken for greening and beautifying Yangon City to possess the characteristics of a city. Efforts are being made step by step for greening the envi-

rons of Inya Lake and for the emergence of a garden of international level in the environs of Kandawgyi.

Moreover, constant efforts are to be made for renovation of drains and platforms in the city to maintain them. Measures are to be taken for renovation of roads and ensuring proper flow of drains to create an environment which is clean and conducive to health in downtown Yangon as well as in suburbs. In addition, efforts are to be made for development of rural regions where the majority of people reside. Only when there is rural development will the nation be developed, thereby contributing to raising the living standard of the people.

Therefore, officials of organizations at lower levels who are discharging duties in the basic regions are to make relentless efforts for boosting the living standard of the people and present the requirements to higher levels and officials at different levels are to make strenuous efforts for development of the city and its suburbs to enable it to possess the characteristics of a city.

*(See page 10)*

## Electronic industry becomes important in efforts to make progress in industrial sector Secretary-1 Lt-Gen Soe Win inspects Electronic Products Exhibition

YANGON, 5 June—The Electronic Products Industries Supervisory Committee Meeting 1/2004 in conjunction with the Electronic Products Exhibition was

held at the meeting hall of the Ministry of Communications, Posts and Telegraphs on Pyay Road this afternoon, with an address by Chairman of the Supervisory

Committee Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Soe Win. Also present on the occasion were Vice-Chairman of the Supervisory Committee Minister for Science and Technology U Thaung and member ministers, deputy ministers and senior military officers, officials of the State Peace and Development Council Office, heads of departments concerned and officials of Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry, officials of organizations and electronic companies and guests.

Chairman of the Supervisory Committee Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Soe Win delivered an address. The Secretary-1 said he would explain in brief the State's policies to emerge a modern developed nation through the development of industrial sectors in meeting with officials of the ministries that are related with manufacturing and use of electronic products. Being an agro-based country, the government is laying emphasis on development of the production of farm equipment and agriculture-based industries leading to establishment of mechanized farming for boosting production of agricultural productive forces, he said.

Establishing the industries which contribute towards the development of agricultural sector, other industrial sectors needed for the country are to be set up step by step and the country has to be transformed into modern industrialized one, he said.

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*Secretary-1 Lt-Gen Soe Win inspects electronic equipment displayed at Electronic Products Exhibition.—MNA*