Matapitu upatthanam, to serve thy parents; this is the way to auspiciousness

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■ To approve the State Constitution is a national duty of the entire people today. Let us all cast "Yes" vote in the national interest.

#### 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

# Vice-Senior General Maung Aye inspects Kyaingkham Dam in Yaksawk Township, meets departmental officials in Taunggyi



Vice-Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Commander-in-Chief (Army) Vice-Senior General Maung Aye pays homage to Kathapa Image in Sulamuni Pagoda.—MNA

Nay Pyi Taw, 28 April—Vice-Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Commander-in-Chief (Army) Vice-Senior General Maung Aye inspected Kyaingkham Multi-purpose Dam project in Yaksawk Township yesterday.

The project is being implemented by the Construction Group-7 of the Irrigation Department under the Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation.

During the tour, Vice-Senior General Maung Aye was accompanied by Secretary-1 of the State Peace

and Development Council Lt-Gen Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo, Members of the SPDC Lt-Gen Kyaw Win and Lt-Gen Aung Htwe, Commander-in-Chief (Navy) Vice-Admiral Soe Thein, Commander-in-Chief (Air) Lt-Gen Myat Hein, Lt-Gen Myint Hlaing and Lt-Gen Ye Myint of the Ministry of Defence, Adjustant-General Maj-Gen Thura Myint Aung, Chairman of Shan State Peace and Development Council Commander of Eastern Command Maj-Gen Thaung Aye, the ministers and officials concerned.

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Emergence of the State Constitution is the duty of all citizens of Myanmar Naing-Ngan.

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# **PERSPECTIVES**

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# New dams for extended cultivation of summer paddy and other crops

The government is building irrigation facilities wherever necessary to ensure water supply for agricultural purpose.

Dams and reservoirs were mainly built in such arid zones as Sagaing, Magway and Mandalay Divisions along with the implementation of underground water tapping projects, embankments and canals. Therefore, efforts are to be made for extended cultivation of paddy, cotton, sugarcane, pulses and beans and edible oil crops.

Taukpyo Dam built on Taukpyo Creek in Nay Pyi Taw Pyinmana Township was opened on 27 April. The dam is the 210th of its kind in the nation and the 27th one in the area of Nay Pyi Taw.

The irrigation facility is of earthen type with the water storage capacity of 2,500 acre feet. As it will benefit altogether 300 acres of farmland, local farmers in the region will be able to engage in extended cultivation of summer paddy and other crops.

As the government built a cluster of dams and reservoirs as well as sluice gates and canals throughout the nation the irrigated sown acreage has increased, thereby contributing to increased production of crops. As a result, the living standard of farmers has improved as their income increased.

At present, there are over 28 million net sown acreage in the nation. Of them, over 5 million are irrigated land. Making better use of irrigation water, it is sure that farmers and local people will be able to engage in extended cultivation of paddy and other crops while striving for perpetual existence of dams and reservoirs and greening of the catchment areas.

# Winners in Mandalay FM Radio Logo Contest announced

YANGON, 28 April—Myanma Radio and Television MRTV-4 has already announced the list of the winners in Mandalay FM Radio Logo Contest.

The first consolation prize winner was Kyaw Khine of No 23, Daw Hla Khin Street, Ward 2, Mayangon Township, second consolation prize winner was Cho Zaw Aung, No 50/A-3 Inya Road, Yangon and third was Tun Naing Oo, No 205, ground floor on 40<sup>th</sup> Street, Kyauktada Township.

# Reon es 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

### Billboards set up in Yangon East District to hail Referendum



Ceremony to erect a billboard at the junction of five roads in Tamway in progress.—MN

Yangon, 28 April —The ceremonies to set up billboards, to hail the Referendum for the approval of the draft Constitution of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, were held at the designated places of seven townships here today. The billboards were erected at the junction of five roads in Tamway Township, in front of Yankin Centre in Saya San Road in Yankin Township, in front of Thuwunna Stadium in Waizayanda Road in Thingangyun Township, at the junction in Dagon Myothit (South) Township, at the corner of Pyidaungsu and Pinlon roads in Dagon Myothit (North), at the junction of Yazadaris and Anawrahta streets in Dagon Myothit (East) Township and near the market at Yuzana Gardens Town in

Dagon Myothit (Seikkan).

Billboards saying "Democracy cannot be achieved by anarchism or violence, but by Constitution; Let's approve constitution to shape our future by ourselves; Let us all who are equipped with ardent patriotism, who cherish genuine independence, who aspire perpetuation of sovereignty, who loathe foreign interference and manipulation, and who oppose puppet government with strings of colonialist, vote "Yes" for ratification of the Constitution; To approve the State Constitution is a national duty of the entire people today; Let's cast "Yes" vote in the interest of the nation" were set up by departmental personnel, townselders and members of social organizations.— *MNA* 

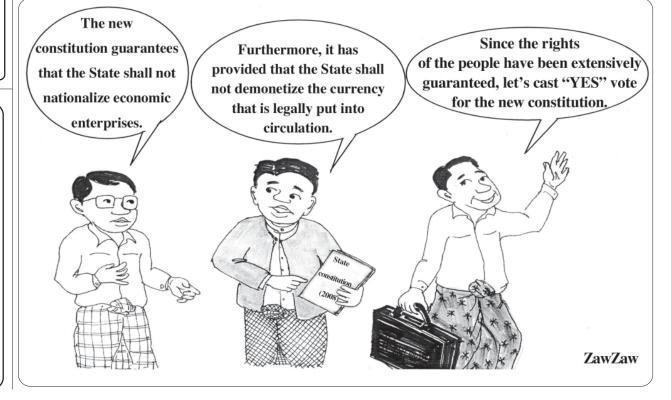
# Billboards erected in Toungoo to hail Referendum

Yangon, 28 April —Hailing the Referendum for approval of the draft State Constitution of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, ceremonies to set up billboards were held at the designated places in Toungoo yesterday.

The departmental officials, townselders and members of social organization erected the billboards at Mydar Sport Ground, at Dahtukalaya Park by Yangon-Mandalay motor Road, and at the corner of Market Street and Lankye Street.

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# China, Pakistan discuss cooperation expansion

ISLAMABAD, 28 April— The visiting Chinese Foreign Minister Yang Jiechi and his Pakistani counterpart held a meeting here on Friday and discussed possibilities to expand cooperation between the two countries.

At a news briefing held after their meeting in the foreign office, Pakistani Foreign Minister Makhdoom Shah Mahmood Qureshi said the two sides discussed a host of issues

including possibilities to expand the bilateral cooperation in various fields.

Qureshi said that the relations between Pakistan and China were timetested and had many sound foundations.

Yang said that China would provide Pakistan 70 million RMB (around one million US dollars) as technical and economic assistance and 500,000 RMB (around 71,429 US dollars) for equipment for the Foreign Office of Pakistan. Yang said that China and Pakistan enjoyed all-weather and time- tested relations and pledged to push the bilateral relations forward.

Terming Pakistani President Pervez Musharraf's recent visit to China a success, Yang said the two countries agreed to increase their level of contacts and exchange of visits. —MNA/Xinhua



A helicopter makes a water drop as firefighters work to contain a wildfire near Sierra Madre, California on 27 April, 2008.—XINHUA

A museum employee carries a recovered artifact to be displayed at the Iraqi National Museum in Baghdad on 27 April, 2008. More than 700 artifacts that were stolen during the fall of Saddam Hussein's regime were turned over by the Syrian authorities to the museum, a museum official said.— XINHUA

# **Moscow criticizes suspension of** food supplies to Gaza

Moscow, 28 April—The Russian Foreign Ministry criticized the suspension of food supplies to Palestinian refugees on Friday, saying it may lead to famine and more tension."The termination of supplies is fraught with the threat of hunger and a sharp rise in internal tension. Moscow believes that such actions, which may be regarded as collective punishment of the civilian population, must be avoided," Boris

Malakhov, deputy spokesman for the ministry, told the Press.

"We are seriously concerned over the humanitarian situation in the Gaza Strip," Malakhov said, adding that the food supplies are a matter of life or death for most people in the Gaza Strip.

The United Nations Works and Relief Agency stopped deliveries to 650,000 Palestinian refugees Thursday due to fuel shortages after Israel imposed an embargo on the Palestinian enclave. The mission needs 7,000 litres of fuel per day to carry out its operations.

MNA/Xinhua

### INTERNATIONAL NEWS

# Afghan ceremony gunfire death toll rises to four

Kabul, 28 April — The death toll in the gunfire and explosions which rocked a celebration gathering in Kabul marking the anniversary of Afghan nation Sunday morning rose to four, officials and TV reports said.

Besides a tribal group chief and a 10-year-old boy, who were killed as stated in an earlier presidential office statement, one of the two injured parliamentarians and one soldier were confirmed dead, according to local TV reports and a Defenc Ministry spokesman.

Militants fired gunshots and rockets on a high-profile function featuring a parade, which was attended by Afghan President Hamid Karzai and several hundred officials, foreign diplomats and local firing. notables.

Explosion and gunfire erupted suddenly at around 9:45 am local time just as all the attendants were standing, listening to the national anthem during which there were celebration cannon

Karzai, who had sit in the middle on the stage opposite the buildings where the attacking shots came from and was thought to be the target, left the scene safe under protection of guards.

MNA/Xinhua

# **Dozens missing after** apartment fire in US

WASHINGTON, 28 April— Dozens of people are reported to be missing following a large fire which devastated an apartment complex in the US state of Connecticut early Saturday morning.

As yet there are no reports of deaths or injuries. Fire Chief Ken Scandariato of Norwich, where the 12building apartment complex is located, said the fire alarm was registered at 1:30 am. So far 105 of the estimated 150 residents have been relocated.

As for the dozens people unaccounted for, some might have turned to friends or relatives, but the possibility that some tenants may not have escaped could not be ruled out, he added.—MNA/Xinhua

# NATO soldier killed, four wounded in S Afghanistan

Kabul, 28 April—One soldier serving the NATOled International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) was killed and four soldiers were wounded in an engagement with in-

In this photo released by China's Xinhua News Agency, Afghan soldiers runs to the scene after an attack happens at a military parade in Kabul, capital of Afghanistan, on Sunday, 27 April, 2008. —XINHUA

surgents during a patrol in southern Afghanistan Sunday, an ISAF statement issued here Monday said.

Without elaborating, it said the wounded soldiers were transported to an ISAF hospital to receive treatment. The ISAF did not release the casualty's nationality, quoting a policy."Next of kin have been notified," it added.

A total of 47,000 troops contributed by 40 nations are deployed in Afghanistan to help with stabilization and reconstruction under the flagofNATO-ledISAFwith an UN mandate.—Internet



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People visit the 9th Riga International Motor Show in Riga, capital of Latvia, on 27 April, 2008. The 4-day 9th Riga International Motor Show closed Monday here.—XINHUA

# UK's private school fees rise to double inflation rate

London, 28 April — Private school fees in Britain will rise by over 5 per cent, or more than double the rate of inflation, this fall, The Sunday Telegraph reported.

A survey of 50 schools by Sunday Telegraph indicates that the average rise in private school fees will be 5.6 per cent, while fees at one-fourth of these schools will rise by at least 7.5 per cent.

Many parents will have to pay an extra 1,000 pounds (1,986 US dollars) for each child's education this year, according to the survey.

Parents with children at Garden House, a junior school in west London, will have to pay 15,552 pounds (30,792 dollars), or 1,150 pounds (2,277 dollars) more than in September 2007 for a school year.

The number of families receiving assistance toward the cost of fees was a record high in 2007 and is expected to rise again this year, as the fee hike comes along with rising household bills, fuel prices and mortgage costs in the wake of credit crunch, said the report.

The Headmasters and Headmistresses Conference, which represents leading schools, cited fee rises as driven by unavoidable costs such as teachers' salaries and pensions.—Xinhua

# Hamas urges Abbas to declare peace talks failure

Gaza, 27 April — Islamic Hamas movement on Saturday called on Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas to announce the failure of the Middle East peace process and to start a national dialogue instead. "Hamas movement calls on the (Palestinian National) Authority president to officially announce the failure of the negotiations and to return to negotiate with the Palestinian powers," said Hamas' spokesman Sami Abu Zuhri.

Hamas' call was made after Abbas ended talks with US President George W Bush on Friday. The

talks did not achieve any progress in pushing peace talks with Israel.

"This failure proves that all promises by Bush, about creating a Palestinian statehood before he steps down, were only lies and illusions," Abu Zuhri said.

Xinhua

# Britain's Labour traces behind Conservatives in new poll

The survey showed that

for the first time in a

generation voters wish the

Conservatives to win the

next election. Some 44 per

cent of respondents think

the Tories will win more

seats in the Parliament,

Telegraph reported.

**All Items from Xinhua News Agency** 

London, 28 April — Britain's ruling Labour Party traced behind the Conservatives by 10 per cent in a new poll released on Sunday.

Published on the eve of local elections in England and Wales, the ICM survey put the Tories at 39 per cent, Labour at 29 per cent and the Liberal Democratic at 20 per cent after polling compared with 35 per cent over 1,000 adults by who favour the Labour. telephone, The Sunday

Analysts said if the poll is repeated at a general election, the Labour Party would be in a minority at the Commons.

A total of 63 per cent of those polled think Labour has done too little to reduce the gap between the rich and poor, while 23 per cent feel the government has got it "about right" and 8 per cent say too much has been done.

It is estimated that the local elections on Thursday could see Labour lose as many as 200 council seats across the country, as well as control of London, if Boris Johnson, the Tory candidate for the Mayor of London, beats the incumbent Ken Livingstone. —Xinhua

# Two tons of cocaine seized in Colombia

Водота, 28 April — Two tons of cocaine were seized Friday at the Buenaventura port in Colombia, local police

"Many people in Buenaventura tried to load some containers onto a boat even though the pier was not operating," the police told Caracol Radio.

After investigation, they found 80 packages of drugs being loaded onto a Chilean boat to head for Guatemala, they added. Drug traffickers in Colombia usually transfer their drugs to the United States and Europe by sea and by air in Central America.

Xinhua

# Flood fears lead to evacuation in E Canada

Ottawa, 28 April — Some 3,600 residents in Canada's eastern Ontario Province are being evacuated due to flooding threats from a nearby river, officials said Friday.

Charter planes are used to transfer the residents at two aboriginal communities in northern Ontario as iceflows flowed down the Albany River. There is fear that the melting ice could breach the dykes protecting the communities, causing flooding, which almost happens every year.

About 600 people are expected to be evacuated over the next 24 hours to different places across Northern Ontario, the Red Cross's manager of disaster management for northern Ontario Annie Burke said in a news release. — Xinhua

# Small plane crashes in Jakarta, injures pilot

JAKARTA, 27 April — A small plane crashed near the Taman Mini resort park in Jakarta on Saturday, but the pilot reportedly survived the accident with minor injuries.

"The (pilot) condition

is not too bad.

He has been sent to the hospital," Jakarta traffic police officer Kasno was quoted by leading news website Detikcom as saying.

The accident did not cause major damage to the site as it crashed into an open field near the resort

The plane is registered with the Indonesian Aero Sport Federation (FASI).

It remains unclear the likely reason behind the accident. —Xinhua

# Lebanese speaker sets new date for election

Beirut, 27 April— Lebanese Parliament Speaker Nabih Berri on Saturday set 13 May as a new schedule date for electing a new president, local ANB reported.

"Parliament Speaker Nabih Berri decided to set Tuesday, 13 May, a new

date for a session to elect the president of Lebanon..." a statement from the Parliament was quoted as saying.

Berri, on Tuesday, postponed a parliamentary session to elect Lebanon's president, without setting the exact date of the next session.

"I will wait the results of the calls for national dialogue to set another date," Berri said in a statement at Parliament headquarters in Downtown Beirut. It is the 18th postponement since 25 September. —Xinhua



A plane throws water over the town of Hermingua, on the Canary Island of La Gomera, Spain on 27 April, 2008. Forest fires are raging fiercely in La Gomera and have burned homes and forced the evacuation of 500 people, officials said Sunday. —XINHUA

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# German Fin Min criticizes **BoE over Northern Rock**

Berlin, 27 April — The Bank of England made a mistake last year in not pumping enough extra funding into money markets at the height of the mortgage crisis, German Finance Minister Peer Steinbrueck said on Friday.

In an apparent reference to a run by depositors on British mortgage lender Northern Rock last year,

Steinbrueck praised the | House of Parliament. US and euro zone Central Banks' approach to helping commercial banks through the credit squeeze. "The policy of the Fed and the ECB to supply the market with liquidity was right. A bank that didn't do this in Great Britain led to people standing in long queues outside (their bank)," he told the Bundestag Lower

"Just imagine if we'd had these kind of scenes in Germany that harked back to the 1920s," Steinbrueck added. Germany was rocked by severe hyperinflation in 1922-1923. Open criticism of foreign central banks by senior government officials has been rare during the financial crisis.

MNA/Reuters



Babies cry as they are held up by amateur sumo wrestlers during a baby crying contest at Sensoji temple in Tokyo on 27 April, 2008. Eighty babies born in 2007 took part in the event, which is held to pray for the babies' health and growth. —XINHUA

# Thousands protest against Mexico oil privatization plan

Mexico City, 28 April Thousands of demonstrators marched along Mexico City's streets Sunday to protest against the government's plan to privatize the nation's oil industry.

The protest was led by

former Mexico City mayor and presidential candidate Andres Lopez Obrador. More than 30,000 people took part in the rally, local police said.

Addressing demonstrators in Zacalo square, the biggest public square in central Mexico City, Obrador said President Felip Calderon's plan "violated the spirit and letter" of the Constitution.

proposed on 8 April to the Mexican Senate an energy reform plan, including opening Mexico's state-run oil company Pemex to domestic and foreign invest-

President Calderon ment.—MNA/Xinhua

# **ECONOMIC NEWS**



A file photo shows models pose in front of Panasonic's new Viera 1080p full high-definition TVs at an unveiling in Tokyo.—Internet

# Oil hits record on UK pipeline shutdown, Nigerian violence

Beijing, 28 April— Crude oil hit a record high of 119.93 US dollars a barrel on Monday after BP Plc shut a North Sea pipeline and as fresh violence in Nigeria reignited supply fears.

US light crude for June delivery rose 81 cents to 119.33 dollars, after striking a lifetime high of 119.93 dollars a barrel at the start of Globex electronic trade.

London Brent crude rose 66 cents to 117 dollars. Hundreds of workers at Scotland's only oil refinery began a 48hour strike on Sunday, forcing BP to shut a pipeline system that delivers almost a third of Britain's North Sea oil.

BP said it had completed the closure of the Forties Pipeline System when 1,200 workers at the Grangemouth refinery in central Scotland walked off the job over pension issues.

The pipeline brings in 700,000 barrels of oil a day from the North Sea to BP's Kinneil plant, which

is powered from the Grangemouth site.

BP said that assuming it got power back as soon as the strike ended and Fortis fields resumed production rapidly, the pipeline could be back in operation within 24 hours but might take a few more days to get back to full flow. —Internet

### Indonesia signs \$889m power contracts with Chinese firms

JAKARTA, 27 April — Indonesia's state-run power firm PLN has signed two engineering procurement contracts worth 888.4 million US dollars with Chinese companies for the constructions of coal-fired power plants, local Press said on Saturday.

The first contract worth 642 million dollars was signed Friday for the 700-megawatt Tanjugn Awar-Awar plant in East Java with a consortium of China National Machinery Equipment Corp (Sinomac), China National Electric Equipment (CNEEC) and local firm PT Penta Adi Samudra.

MNA/Xinhua

# Nepal, Bahrain to ink

Kathmandu, 28 April — Nepal and Bahrain are set to ink a bilateral labour pact to pave a way for secured employment opportunities and provide legal recognition to Nepali migrant workers in this Gulf state on Tuesday.

labour pact

According to The Himalayan Times daily on Monday, Bahrain's Labour Minister Majeed Bin Muhsin Al Alawi is arriving Kathmandu Monday on a three-day long official visit leading a nine-member delegation.

Al Alawi is scheduled to sign a memorandum of understanding with his Nepali counterpart Ramesh Lekhak, said Uddav Baskota, spokesperson at the Ministry of Labour and Transport Management.

MNA/Xinhua

### Filipino nurses seeking jobs in US drops in Q1

Manila, 28 April — The number of Filipino nurses who sought jobs in the United States by taking a US licensure exam dropped by 7 per cent in the first quarter of this year, reported local newspaper Philippine Daily Inquirer website Saturday.

The number of Filipino nurses who took the US National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX) went down from 5,076 registered in the first quarter of 2007 to 4,686 during the same period this year, said the report quoting official sources.

A record number of 21,499 Filipinos took the NCLEX, excluding repeaters, in the whole year of 2007, 40 per cent higher than 2006, said the report.

MNA/Xinhua

Swiss Olivier Vietti-Teppa prepares to land with his 12 kg pyramid-shaped parachute designed by Leonardo da Vinci in Payerne.—Internet

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# Let's get democracy by voting at polling booth

# Let's continue to shoulder national duty

Kyaw Min Aye

Every sovereign country has a constitution, the basic law of the laws in the country.

Legislative, executive and judicial functions are to be carried out in accordance with the principles stated in the constitution.

The existing laws are in force so long as they are not contrary to the State constitution. The Pyidaungsu Hluttaw that comes into existence according to the constitution has the power to nullify or amend the existing laws.

The existing rules, regulations, bye-law, notification, order, directives and procedures are in force as long as they are not contrary to the constitution. The Pyidaungsu government that comes into existence according the constitution has the power to annul or amend the existing laws.

If a provision stipulated in a law enacted by a legislative body or an existing law is contrary to the provisions of the State constitution, procedures are to be carried out in line with the provisions of the State constitution.

Above-mentioned points indicate that no man is above the law. Everyone does not want a situation in which someone is above the law. Everyone wants to enjoy equal rights in terms of law, and to get the protection of the law equally.

No person, party or organization can guarantee that no one is above the law.

The State constitution is the only one that can guarantee in this regard. Studying these points, a person can visualize the evil consequences of lack of a constitution and benefits of the existence of a constitution. Therefore, I would say a constitution is necessary. It is essential.

With the approval of the constitution, it can be guaranteed that the State is formed with the Union system. And the nation will be able to exercise genuine discipline-flourishing multi-party democracy system and market economy, and continue to practise the independent and active foreign policy.

will have the right to vote and to stand for election in accordance with the law. That is to say if interested, every citizen will have the rights to do politics legally, establish a political party in accordance with the law, stand for election and organize freely.

The constitution bestows rights to promulgate necessary laws to protect the rights of peasants and workers. Besides, necessary laws will be promulgated to ensure job security of State service personnel, food safety, the rights on maternity of female staff, welfare of retired service personnel.

The constitution guarantees that private economic enterprises will not be nationalized, the currency in circulation will not be demonetized. Measures will be taken to improve the living conditions of the people and ensure development of general investments, reduce unemployment rate as much as possible, and provide necessary assistance such as technology, investment, machines and raw materials for industrial development.

These points are some of the political, economic, education, health and social benefits that can be available after the approval of the State constitution. The more a person studies the draft constitution, the more he will notice the benefits.

If a citizen considers that he does not have access to any of the fundamental rights enumerated in the Chapter (8) 'Citizenship, Fundamental Rights and Duties of Citizens' due to various reasons, he has the right to apply to the Union Supreme Court in accordance with the disciplines for the right. Every citizen is bestowed on the right to apply.

Myanmar is a land where more than 100 national races make their home together. The people have lived in the nation for more than 1000 years without designating any boundaries. The constitution grants every citizen (national race) permission to settle in any of the regions in the nation in line with the law.

For every ethnic minority living in the Region and State there is no need to worry about that. Myanmar people by nature are strongly equipped with family spirit and Union Spirit, Myanmar national people are

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born democratic ones without discrimination on the basis of race, gender and class.

So, various national races live together with local people in any parts of the nation. National races have maintained friendship since time immemorial.

According to the constitution, the existing seven divisions are designated as seven regions and the existing seven states, as seven states. And their names are retained as they are at present. In addition, self-administered zones are designated in accordance with the three norms for Naga, Danu, Pa-O, Palaung and Kokang national races, and one self-administered division, for Wa national race. The designation of one self-administered division and five self-administered zones will come in force only after the approval of the constitution.

There is a principle for every national race that lives in a Region or State and that has not got a Region/State, self-administerd division/zone. If such a national race has a population that constitutes 0.1 per cent of the population of the State, it can elect a representative from among its population to the Region/State hluttaw concerned. The representative will have the right to make law in the legislative body (Region/State hluttaw) and will become the minister for national race affairs in the administrative body (Region/State government).

All these rights will be available only after the State constitution is approved. So, apparently, the drive for approval of the constitution is a national duty of today's national people. I think every citizen who wants to serve the national interest and shapes their prosperous future realizes the benefit of casting 'Yes' vote for approval of the constitution.

Here, I would like to present a tale. Long ago, an honest man was on his way home, shouldering a goat he had been presented. Three unscrupulous persons cast covetous eyes on the goat. Taking position at three different places on the route, one of them asked why the man was shouldering a dog. The next one said that he wondered why the man was carrying a dead calf. And the last one asked why the man was shouldering a donkey. Considering that it might be a devil, the man threw it down the ground and ran away. Then, the three caught the goat and took it. I read the tale in an article.

What the national races are shouldering is not like the goat in the tale. They are shouldering a national duty for the approval of the constitution that represents the sovereignty. Therefore, I would like to urge the people to continue to shoulder the national duty.

Translation: MS

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# Association members urged to participate in tasks for approval of constitution

# The 18<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of Myanmar Maternal and Child Welfare Association held

General Meeting of Myanmar Maternal and Child Welfare Association was held at the meeting hall of MMCWA in Nay Pyi Taw Lewe this morning.

Present on the occasion were President of MMCWA Daw Khin Hnin, Vice-Presidents Dr Daw Tin Lin Myint and Daw Aye Aye, CEC members, members of central council and chairpersons, secretaries and joint secretaries of

Nay Pyı Taw, 28 April | impetus for national —The 18<sup>th</sup> Annual development with the concept of progress of the nation through the endeavours of all citizens in accord with the correct national path.

> She said arrangements have been made for social organizations to participate in education, health, economic and social development tasks of the ministries in the respective sectors. Active participation of the association in such tasks much contributes towards the realization of the goals

progress of the nation with nationalistic spirit.

She said the association hand in hand government departments and other social organizations is carrying out the all-round development tasks of health, education and social aspects of children, youths and elderly people including health and fitness of mothers and children, security of the family life and increased income of the family while employing the strength of the systematically formed



President of MMCWA Daw Khin Saw Hnin addresses 18th Annual General Meeting of Myanmar Maternal and Child Welfare Association.—MNA



Supervisory Committees.

The meeting was presided over by President of MMCWA Daw Khin Saw Hnin and Joint Secretary-2 Dr Daw Thein Thein Htay acted as master of ceremonies.

Next, President of | taking part in the tasks for MMCWA Daw Khin Saw Hnin delivered a speech. She said the MMCWA in cooperation with other social organizations has been participating in national development tasks for 17 years while carrying out health, education and social development of women and children in the nation in accord with the objectives of the association.

She said now the government is giving

state and division MCWA | of the State, she said.

She said the association stands as a major social institution and nearly 10 million members of over 20,000 branch associations in states, divisions and townships are actively



Treasurer Daw Khin Than Win reports on the financial statement of 2007-08 and budget for 2008-09.—MNA

association in the interest of the nation and its people.

She said in health sector the MMCWA is successfully implementing the programmes on reproductive health, safe motherhood, health care services for pregnant women and production of midwives.



Joint Secretary of Kayin State MCW **Supervisory** Committee.—MNA

She spoke at length on launching of anti-leprosy, anti-malaria, anti-TB activities and preventive measures against HIV, DHF, educative tasks and treatment at the grassroots level, conducting vocational training courses and Three Rs courses for families, creating jobs for

women, anti-human



Joint Secretary, MCW **Supervisory** Committee for Rakhine State.—MNA

trafficking, establishment of model villages, water supply in rural areas and provision of scholarship for needy children.

She urged the members of the association to effectively utilize the strength of the association in the interest of the nation and the people and to raise the momentum of the

health care services for mothers and children and other tasks implementation of the primary tasks of the association. She said the MMCWA is to take part in national movement under the leadership of the government in cooperation with other social (See page 9)



Joint Secretary of Taninthayi Division MCW Supervisory Committee.—MNA



Joint Secretary, MCW Supervisory Committee for Magway Division. MNA

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# To ratify Constitution Let's go to the polling booth

# For ratification of Constitution Let's go to polling booth to cast "Yes" vote.

#### **Vice-Senior General Maung Aye inspects...**

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Vice-Senior General Maung Aye and party inspected the construction works with the use of heavy machinery in a motorcade.

At the meeting hall, Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation Maj-Gen Htay Oo reported on location and purposes of the project, prospects for generating hydro power at the dam and tasks being carried out.

Minister for Forestry Brig-Gen Thein Aung re-

ported on condition of for- the dam. ests around the dam.

Afterwards, Secretary-1 Lt-Gen Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo reported on matters related to the water storage and generation of hydro power of the dam.

After hearing reports, Vice-Senior General Maung Aye urged officials concerned to take measures for supplying water from Kyaingkham Dam to Zawgyi and Myogyi dams and to generate hydro power from

Kyaingkham Multipurpose Dam is being constructed on Nant-at Creek near Kyainkham Village in Yaksawk Township. The project is one of the projects for greening Meiktila Plain and is being implemented to general hydro power and to supply water to Zawgyi Dam.

Zawgyi Dam and Myogyi Dam which are being implemented in Ywangan Township are expected to supply water



Secretary-1 Lt-Gen Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo meeting with departmental officials, members of USDA, WAO, MCWA, WVO, Red Cross and Auxiliary Fire Brigade and townselders in Taunggyi.—MNA



Constant efforts are to be made to maintain the momentum of economic growth of the State while making innovative measures for producing value added items.

to the water supply system of Zawgyi Dam up to 990,000 acre ft.

Kyaingkham Dam has a water storage capacity of 345,350 acres ft and the dam is expected to generate six megawatts.

After inspecting the

construction works, Vice-Senior General Maung Aye and party flew to Taunggyi.

Vice-Senior General Maung Aye met with departmental officials and members of social organizations at the City Hall in Taunggyi today.

Afterthe meeting, Vice-Senior General Maung Aye and party visited Sulamuni Lawka Chantha Pagoda. Afterwards, they flew back to Nay Pyi Taw.

Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo met with members of Shan State PDC, departmental officials in Taunggyi District, members of Union Solidarity and Development Association, members of Women's Affairs' Organization, Maternal and Child Welfare Association, War Veterans Organization, Red Cross Society and Auxiliary Fire Brigade townselders.

At the meeting, Commander Maj-Gen Thaung Aye reported on farmland and cultivation of paddy in monsoon and summer

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Kyaingkham Dam under construction in Yaksawk Township.—MNA

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# Towards the new nation Will ratify Constitution.

We remain ever united whoever tries to divide us And will cast "Yes" vote

### Vice-Senior General Maung Aye...

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seasons, cultivation of major crops, targeted yield of crops, sufficiency of edible oil and rice and livestock breeding in the state. He also reported on water supply tasks and development tasks in Taunggyi.

Afterwards, Minister Maj-Gen Htay Oo reported on measures for development of farming sector in Shan State and briefed on matters related to extended cultivation, per acre yield, measures for sufficiency of rice and edible oil, cultivation of coffee, tea and pepper and encouragement for using firm implements in the state.

Next, Minister for Commerce Brig-Gen Tin Naing Thein stressed the need to grow crops that benefit both farmers and those who are engaged in crops marketing in cultivating agricultural produce crops, assessing the production, demand and prices. In the meantime, priority is to be given to cultivation of quality crops. And both production sector and trade sector will improve through coordination of organizations concerned on quality control, availability of market and stability of prices.

After that, Minister for Energy Brig-Gen Lun Thi reported on measures taken for the convenience in the use of fuel and gas when fuel price is escalating, distribution of fertilizer by fertilizer plants, conducting of research on the long-term use of bio-fuel and assistance provided for development of Aye Thaya Industrial Zone.

# The wise outstrips the intoxicated

Not intoxicated among the intoxicated and wide-awake among the sleeping, the wise one outstrips them as a swift

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concerted efforts, the national economy improves yearly with an increase in export volume.

horse outstrips a weak one.

Therefore, constant efforts are to be made to maintain the momentum of economic growth of the State while making innovative measures for producing value added items.

In conclusion, he urged local people in Shan State (South) to make relentless efforts for further development of the region along with national development.

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Three-storey building donated to

**Shwe Maggin Monastery** 

Wellwishers donate robes and provisions to Sayadaws.—MNA

Yangon, 28 April—A ceremony to share merits for Phyusin Myitta three-storey building in the compound of Shwe Maggin Monastery on the foot of Mandalay Hill, Mandalay was held at the monstery on the foot of Mandalay Hill, Mandalay on 23 April.

Wellwishers U Kyaw Sein (Mogkok)-Daw Nan Kham Sar and families of Phyusin Myitta Medical House built the three-storey building at a cost of over K 18 million.

At the ceremony, they offered soon, water, lights and flowers to Hna-Kyeik-Shitsu Pagoda and then received the Five Precepts from Thitsein Sayadaw. Next, the wellwihers supplicated matters related to donation of the three-storey building. They offered robes and provisions to 81 Members of the Sangha and shared merits gained at the ceremony. — MNA



Construction task of Kyaingkham Dam by heavy machinery in Yaksawk Township.—MNA

Next, Secretary-1 Lt-Gen Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo explained the purpose of the trip of the Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services to Shan State (South) and added that as the nation is agro-based one, emphasis is being placed on development of the agriculture sector. As plan for self-sufficiency in rice was implemented the nation has now seen not only self-sufficiency in rice but also the surplus.

Steps were taken for the people in different regions to live a comfortable life without worrying the need of food. As a result, Shan State also has enjoyed self-sufficiency in rice.

At present, it is safe to say that the current yield of paddy in the nation is able to feed the increased population of the future. In growing and production of paddy and other crops it is required for the State, the farmers and the traders to make concerted and well-coordinated efforts. The State, on its part, built dams and reservoirs, reclaimed virgin and fallow land and provided farmers with agricultural methods. Entrepreneurs engaging in rice marketing, on their part, are to provide assistance in inputs, research on crops and ensuring stability of prices.

At the same time, efforts are to be made for improvement of the quality of crops while striving for qualitative and quantitative improvement. Based on such

#### Association members ...

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organizations including the Union Solidarity and Development Association formed with lofty aims and the same objectives for the future of the nation.

She urged the association members to participate in the tasks hand in hand with the people for approval of the constitution which is both a national necessity and historical requirement.

Next, Secretary of the association Dr Daw Wai Wai Tha submitted the report of 2007 work programmes, Honorary Auditor Daw Thin Thin financial report, Treasurer Daw Khin Than Win the financial statement of 2007-08 and the budget for 2008-2009 for approval.

In the afternoon session, Joint Secretaries of State and Division MCW Supervisory Committees submitted their respective reports.

President Daw Khin Saw Hnin took part in the discussions.

In the evening, Vice-President of MMCWA Dr Daw Tin Lin Myint presided over the meeting.

Joint Secretaries of State and Division MCW Supervisory Committees submitted their respective reports. The meeting continues on 29 April.—MNA

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the health development of the public. In implementing the millennium goals to be realized in 2015 for uplift of health status of mothers and reduction of mortality rate of children aged under 1 and 5, the association is working together with the Union Solidarity and Development Association, the MWAF, Myanmar Medical Association, Myanmar Nurses Association, UN organizations and NGOs. And he thanked all members of the respective associations for their voluntary services in the health, education, social welfare and economic sectors.

After the opening ceremony, Minister Dr Kyaw Myint, President of MWAF Daw Khin Khin Win and Vice-President Daw Khin Lay Myint, President of MMCWA Daw Khin Saw Hnin, members and guests viewed documentary photos on activities of the association (central) and state and division supervisory committees for MCWAs on display at the meeting hall.— MNA

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# Take notice of and guard against the dangers of neo-colonialists, internal and external destructive elements

# USDA Secretariat Member meets local people in Htilin Township

Nay Pyı Taw, 28 April— Secretariat Member of the Union Solidarity and Development Association Minister for Information Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan attended a ceremony to meet with local people held at Shwehti Hall of Htilin Township, Gangaw District on 22 April.

It was attended by staff of departments concerned, NGOs, townselders, local people from 11 wards and villages totaling over 3500.

On behalf of the local people, officials concerned reported on regional development tasks and requirements to the Secretariat Member.

After hearing the reports, the Secretariat Member made a speech on the occasion and made arrangements to fulfill the requirements.

Next, the Secretariat Member presented K 200,000 for Htilin Myoma Basic Education Primary School, K 200,000 for Htilin Township Development Affairs Committee BEPS and K 300,000 for Kyarkhe village BEPS, regional development items, household and personal goods for local people, exercise books for the students and publications for the library through officials concerned.

The Secretariat Member also met with the local people in Aletan Village of Htilin Township.

It was attended by the local people from seven villages numbering some 3000. On behalf of the local people, officials concerned reported on regional development tasks and requirements to the Secretariat Member.

After hearing the reports, the Secretariat Member made a speech on the occasion. He made arrangements to fulfill the requirements.

Next, the Secretariat Member presented K 200,000 for Aletan village Basic Education Primary School, K 100,000 for Anyartan village BEPS and K



and kind to a responsible person.—MNA

200,000 for Akyitan village BEPS, K 100,000 Butaung village Post-Primary School, K 100,000 to repair bridge of Nyaung village, regional development items, household and personal goods for local people, exercise books for the students and publications for the library through officials concerned.

Similarly, the Secretariat Member attended a ceremony to meet with the local people held in Pyinba Village of Htilin Township.

It was attended by the local people from eight villages numbering some 3000. On behalf of the local people, officials concerned reported on regional development tasks and requirements to the Secretariat



Minister Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan meeting with departmental officials, NGOs, townselders and residents in Htilin Township.—MNA

Member.

The Secretariat Member made a speech on the occasion and fulfilled the requirements.

Next, the Secretariat Member presented K 200,000 for hydro electric task of Pyinba village, K 100,000 for that of Khabaung village, K 100,000 for development tasks in Sotpyar village, K 100,000 for water supply tasks in Yonhsin village, K 100,000 for the development tasks in Hswelwe village, K 100,000 for water supply tasks in Yinyoung village, regional development items, household and personal goods for local people, exercise books for the students and publications for the library through officials concerned.

In his meetings with the local people, the minister said that rapid progress of the villages within the region has been witnessed due to cooperative measures of the local people. As today is knowledge age, special emphasis is being placed on carrying out the tasks in the education sector across the country. He said he was very pleased with special emphasis of villages placed on the development of education sector. In addition to the extended cultivation, the local people

should undertake agriculture and breeding tasks together for the development of socio-economic life of the rural people. Technologies and necessary assistance will be fully provided. The people, of course, come to know and are enjoying fruitful results of the development as the Government is building infrastructures in the country. The people are to actively participate in maintaining development momentum. Nowadays, internal and external antigovernment groups are attempting not only to disrupt the development of the State but also to hinder future plan of the country through various means.

The people are not to accept their instigation. The people are to be aware of the truth of the prevailing conditions of the State and to join hands with the Government in the drive for implementing ongoing

He urged the local people to take notice of and guard against the dangers of neo-colonialists, internal and external destructive elements.

After the meetings, the Secretariat Member cordially greeted the local people.

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# Applied account and management course No 29 opened

YANGON, 26 April applied account and Committee U Htun Aung management course No General 29 (UMFCCI Level I) organized by Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry was held at the UMFCCI Training Centre on BoSonPak street in Pabedan Township, here today.

General Secretary of UMFCCI Chairman of Educational Working Committee U Sein Win Hlaing made an opening

Secretary The opening ceremony of | Educational Working

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are attending the threemonth course.

A total of 80 trainees



Secretary U Sein Win Hlaing speaks at the opening of applied account and management course. UMFCCI

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A RadioShack employee carries Apple iPod's in an undated handout photo.—Internet



Bavarian riflemen in their traditional costume fire their muzzle loaders in front of the 'Bavaria' statue in Munich, southern Germany, on 27 April, 2008. Some 850 members of various shooting clubs of the region met for a salute to mark the 850th anniversary of the city.—Internet



People watch as India's Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV) C-9 blasts off from the Satish Dhawan Space Centre at Sriharikota, around 80 kilometres (50 miles) north of Chennai, India, on 28 April, 2008.—Internet



A file photo shows Uruguayans celebrate after successfully being entered into the Guinness World Records for 'Biggest barbecue in the World', in Montevideo, on 13 April, 2008. Internet



Saeelandra Nath Roy, 42, a policeman by profession, uses his ponytail to pull three train coaches and its engine, weighing 47 tonnes, at a railway station in the northeastern Indian city of Siliguri on 28 April, 2008. Roy on Monday attempted to enter his name in the Guinness Book of World Records by pulling the coaches with his ponytail.—Internet

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Music lovers sit on tables in floodwaters at the New Orleans Fairground Racecourse after torrential rain during the New Orleans Jazz & Heritage Festival in New Orleans on 27 April, 2008.—INTERNET

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Consignees of cargo carried on MV EAGLE PRIDE VOY NO (808N) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 29.4.2008 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of M.I.T.T where it will lie at the consignee's risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

Damaged cargo will be surveyed daily from 8 am to 11:20 am and 12 noon to 4 pm up to Claims Day now declared as the third day after final discharge of cargo from the vessel.

No claims against this vessel will be admitted after the Claims Day.

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# China copper trader jailed for illegal deals

Beijing, 27 April—Liu Qibing, a copper trader who took a massive loss-making short position for China's State Reserves Bureau, was sentenced last month to seven years in prison, Caijing magazine reported on Friday.

Liu disappeared in 2005, as a rally in copper futures on the London Metal Exchange jeopardized a short position he had taken out earlier in the year.

"Liu still forged fake documents to manoeuvre state copper funds and bet, wrongly, that the copper price would fall. His illegal trading lasted six years, while the supervisor was long aware but kept the lid on it," Caijing said.— MNA/Reuters

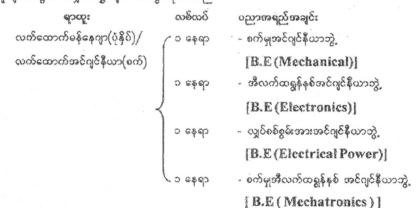


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#### Civil Service Selection and Training Board လျှောက်လွှာခေါ် ယူခြင်း

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(က) ပြည်ထောင်စုမြန်မာနိုင်ငံသားဖြစ်ရမည်။

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(ဂ) လုပ်ငန်းသဘာဝအရ အမျိုးသား ဖြစ်ရမည်။

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# China seizes \$750m of pirated software

Chinese police have seized 750 million US dollars worth of pirated broken up a piracy ring in southern China, state media said on Friday as Beijing vows to crack down on a problem which has soured trade ties. Police swooped on the gang last summer and arrested 10 people in the boomtown of Shenzhen, across the border from Hong Kong, the official Xinhua news agency said.

Chinese police acted after the US Federal

Beijing, 27 April— | Bureau of Investigation | told China about the gang, Xinhua said.

"Around 70 per cent of computer software and the pirated software was sold in the United States, according to the FBI intelligence," the prosecutor said. "The FBI provided names and addresses of some suspects to the Chinese police."

> According to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, the trade in pirated consumer goods has reached 200 billion US dollars a year, equivalent

to 2 per cent of world trade, with many fakes coming from China.

Washington and Brussels have expressed their displeasure with Beijing numerous times over the problem, and it has proven a major irritant in trade and political ties. EU officials led by European Commission President Jose Manuel Barroso have been in town this week.

China says it is trying hard to tackle piracy, but that as it is a developing country it may take many years to root out the problem.—MNA/Reuters

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# Sri Lankan Air Force raids rebel targets

Colombo, 28 April— The Air Force in Sri Lanka bombed the Tamil Tigers' artillery positions in the northeastern area of Welioya on Saturday, said the military.

Military spokesman Udaya Nanayakkara said Air Force fighter jets made precision air raids at identified LTTE (Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam) artillery positions in Welioya, about 280 kilometres northeast of the capital Colombo around 5 pm local time (1130 GMT). The LTTE said earlier the rebels confronted Army units who launched a largescale offensive push in the area on Saturday.

The air raids came three days after a fierce battle in the northern Jaffna peninsula, with hundreds of combatants being killed or injured. Having taken over control of the Eastern Province last July, Sri Lanka's security forces are currently battling LTTE rebels in the north with an aim to crush them before the end of 2008. The LTTE has been fighting the troops since the mid-1980s to carve out a separate homeland for the Tamil minority in the north and east, resulting in the death of more than 70,000 people.—MNA/Xinhua

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# Universal coverage to end malaria deaths by 2010

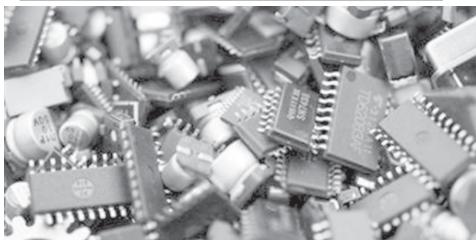
United Nations, 27 April — UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon marked World Malaria Day on Friday with a call for realizing universal coverage to end malaria deaths by 2010.

In a video message to mark World Malaria Day, Ban noted the "dramatic strides" made by several African countries in recent years.

"But the most affected nations remain off track to reach the goal of halting and reversing incidence of the disease," he said. "As we pass the mid-point in the race towards the Millennium Development Goals, we desperately need to step up our efforts to roll back malaria." To this end, controlling malaria in the secretary-general

announced a "bold but achievable vision," which is to put a stop to malaria deaths by ensuring universal coverage by the end of 2010.

"This initiative will offer indoor residual spraying, and bed nets treated with long-lasting insecticide, to all people at risk, especially women and children in Africa," he said. - MNA/Xinhua



Memory chips, collected from discarded electronic items, are pictured at Dowa Holdings Co's Eco-System Recycling Co, a recycling plant, in Honjo, north of Tokyo last month. Thinking of throwing out your old cell phone? Think again. Maybe you should mine it first for gold, silver, copper and a host of other metals embedded in the electronics — many of which are enjoying near-record prices.—Internet

# China's mobile phone users hit 574m by March

Beijing, 27 April — The mobile phone subscribers in China has risen to more than 574 million by March, as more fixed-line users switched to mobile services on lower rates, according to the Ministry of Industry and Information.

The number was 27.3 million more than at the end of last year, the ministry said.

The nation's fixed-

billion text messages in the first quarter, up 28.8 per cent from the same period last year.

The telecom industry

reported revenue of 194.1 billion yuan (27.7 billion US dollars), 10.8 per cent higher than a year ago.

MNA/Xinhua

# California to use DNA crime-fighting technique

Los Angeles, 28 April · California will become the first state in the United States to use DNA to try to identify elusive criminals

through their relatives, the Los—Angeles Times reported on Saturday.

The policy is aimed at identifying a suspect through DNA collected at a crime scene by looking for potential relatives in the state's genetic database of about a million felons, according to the paper. Once a relative is identified, police can use that person as a lead to trace the suspect, the report said. The new approach was justified by violent crime plaguing the state, the report quoted state Attorney General Jerry Brown as saying.

He emphasized that it would be used only when all other leads had been exhausted. "We have 2,000 murders a year in California—that is 10,000 since the Iraq war started — and that is a lot of killing," Brown said.

"When you see it and

states permit but do not vigorously pursue.

line operators lost 4.4 million subscribers in the first quarter, reducing the total fixed-line users to 361 million by the end of last month.

China's mobile phones users sent 174.9



A walking bridge in Berlin's Prenzlauer Berg district. While real estate values in Britain, Spain, France, the United States and other countries have whipsawed up in the past decade, prices in Germany either barely moved or even fell steadily in some areas such as Berlin. —Internet

see the victims and have to go to funerals, it is pretty serious stuff." The new plan makes California a leader in such searches, which several

Colorado has recently begun to examine its database for relatives of unknown criminals as part of a research project, according to the report.

MNA/Xinhua

# HK to cut tax for environment-friendly facilities

Hong Kong, 28 April—Hong Kong will soon introduce one-off and accelerated tax cuts for environment-friendly machinery and installations, the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) government said on Saturday. "A 100-per cent deduction under profits tax will be provided in the year of purchase for the capital expenditure incurred on the provision of eligible machinery," a government spokesman said, referring to the tax cuts proposal.

The amendments will be made to the tax law upon the passing of a Revenue Bill by the Legislative Council, the HKSAR government said in a statement.

Environmental protection machinery includes low noise construction machinery or plant registered under the Ouality Powered Mechanical Equipment system, certain waste treatment, wastewater treatment and air pollution control machinery or plant. "A deduction under profits tax for 20 per cent of the capital expenditure incurred on the construction of eligible installations will be provided in each of the five years starting from the year of acquisition," the spokesman said. — MNA/Xinhua

# EU launches second satellite for Galileo project

Moscow, 28 April — The European Union on early Sunday launched the second experimental satellite for the bloc's Galileo navigation system from Kazakhstan's Baikonur cosmodrome in an effort to compete with the US GPS system.

The satellite was lifted into space by a Russian Soyuz rocket at 4:16 am local time (2216 GMT Saturday), said the Russian Federal Space Agency (Roskosmos).

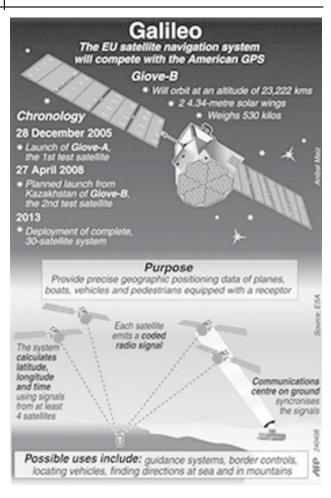
If everything goes well, the Giove-B satellite, an over 500-kilo cube built by the Astrium and Thales Alenia Space, will be placed into its designed orbit in less than four hours.

The Giove-B will test technologies to be used in the Galileo system, which the EU said is superior to the existing GPS system in coverage sphere. It can also provide navigation service for motorists, sailors, pilots and emergency rescue staff. according to the EU.

MNA/Xinhua

Fact file on the Galileo sat-nav system and its test satellite Giove-B. A second experimental Giove-B satellite for the EU's Galileo satellite navigation project was launched from the Baikonur cosmodrome in Kazakhstan early Sunday.

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# SPORTS

# **Cisse revives Marseille's Champions League hopes**

Monaco, 28 April — Djibril Cisse netted with nine minutes remaining to give Olympique Marseille a 3-2 Ligue 1 win at Monaco on Sunday that revived his side's hopes of clinching a Champions League place.

The France striker collected a Mamadou Niang pass in the area to beat Monaco keeper Flavio Roma from close range.

Marseille are now third in the standings on 58 points with three matches left after Nancy (57) drew 1-1 at Valenciennes earlier on Sunday.

Eric Gerets's side went ahead on 28 minutes through playmaker Samir Nasri only for Ignacio Gonzalez to level the tie 10 minutes into the second half.

Nigeria defender Taye Taiwo put the visitors back in command six minutes



Marseille's attempts to grab all three points were not rewarded until the 83rd minute and Cisse's 14th goal of the season.

MNA/Reuters



Rangers' Daniel Cousin (2nd L) and Brahim Hemdani challenge Celtic's Shunsuke Nakamura (C) during their Scottish Premier League soccer match at Celtic Park, Scotland on 27 April,

2008.—Internet

# Bayern closing in on Bundesliga title

Berlin, 28 April — Bayern Munich beat VfB Stuttgart 4-1 on Sunday to move 12 points clear in the Bundesliga with only one point required from their last four games to seal a 21st German title.

Luca Toni scored his 36th goal in 42 matches in the eighth minute. Antonio da Silva equalized nine minutes later before Mark van Bommel fired in a superb low shot that curled around the wall off an

indirect free kick in the 55th minute.

Bayern coach Ottmar Hitzfeld had rested Franck Ribery along with four other first team players ahead of a semi-final second leg UEFA Cup match on Thursday at Zenit St Petersburg. However, he decided to send Ribery on in the 57th minute and the France playmaker scored twice within two minutes.

Ribery blasted a spectacular long-range shot into the top right corner beyond the fingertips of keeper Raphael Schaefer in the 75th minute and then beat two Stuttgart defenders before firing

in a crisp shot with his weaker left foot.

"He comes off the bench and shows his class right away," said Hitzfeld, who also sent in Ze Roberto for the final 23 minutes to tune up for St. Petersburg. "Two ball artists go in and Ribery scores two dream goals."

Hitzfeld made it clear that reaching the UEFA Cup final was the top priority on Sunday with the Bundesliga all but wrapped up. "I'm glad I rested Ribery. He was hugely motivated when he came in off the bench," he said.

MNA/Reuters

# Real edge closer to title after 3-0 win

Madrid, 28 April — Real Madrid crushed Athletic Bilbao 3-0 at the Bernabeu on Sunday to edge closer to the Spanish title but Villarreal's 1-0 victory at Real Betis put their celebrations on hold for at least another week. Real's victory means that with four games left to play they remain 10 points clear of Villarreal at the top of the table on 75 points and will claim their 31st league title if they win next week's match at Osasuna.

Third-placed Barcelona, who are four points behind Villarreal after their 2-0 loss at Deportivo Coruna on Saturday, can now only hope to dispute second place with Villarreal.

Argentine striker Javier Saviola paved the way for Real's victory when he took advantage of a rare appearance in the starting line-up to poke home after Bilbao keeper Armando had spilled a shot from Robinho in the 13th minute.

Keeper Iker Casillas halted a Bilbao comeback when he produced a great one-handed stop to save a Joseba Garmendia penalty given after Real defender Gabriel Heinze had bundled into Fernando Llorente in the area late in the first half.

Real dominated after the break and gained a deserved second when Arjen Robben steered home from close range after a superb pass from Gonzalo Higuain and the Argentine wrapped up the win with a classy curling strike of his own two minutes later.

Villarreal clinched their win over a revived Real Betis side thanks to a breathtaking goal from midfielder Marcos Senna.

The Spain international fired the ball into the top corner from a metre inside the Betis half after spotting keeper Casto off his line in the 16th minute. Atletico Madrid remain in fourth spot, six points behind Barca, after drawing 1-1 at Getafe, while Racing Santander lost ground in the hunt for the final Champions League place after slumping to a 3-1 defeat at Real Mallorca.

MNA/Reuters

Switzerland's Stefanie Voegele celebrates her victory against Austria's Tamira Paszek after their Fed Cup tennis match in Dornbirn on 27 April, 2008.—Internet

#### Kaka predicts he will reach his peak in 2010

RIODE JANEIRO, 28 April — World Player of the Year Kaka predicted on Sunday that he would reach his peak in time for the 2010 World Cup.

In an interview with the Brazilian sports daily Lance, the AC Milan and Brazil player reaffirmed his wish to play at the Olympic Games in August but admitted the matter was out of his hands.

"I think the best is yet to come," said Kaka, who has suffered a dip in form this year.

"The year 2007 was marvellous but I still think I can improve technically and physically.

"I want to reach a very high level (for the 2010 World Cup). I will be 28, at my peak. It could be a great World Cup for Brazil, a new cycle and new players."

Kaka has had some fitness problems recently, which he blamed on too much football. "The biggest problem with injuries, today, is the quantity of games," he said. "There comes a time when your body can't take any more."

The 26-year-old said he wanted to help Brazil win their first Olympic Gold medal in Beijing. The Olympic soccer tournament is for under-23 teams but

three over-age players are allowed.

"Nobody has won the Olympic gold (for Brazil) yet, that's the big motivation," he said. "But, how I get to the Olympics is something which does not depend on me." He was unsure if he would still be playing international football when Brazil host the World Cup in 2014.

"I don't know if I will be there," he said.

"It depends on how I am physically, if I am still in condition to play football at a high level, with the right motivation to play a World Cup.

MNA/Reuters

# Ranieri hails Juve after Champions League spot sealed

MILAN, 28 April — Juventus coach Claudio Ranieri thanked his side for giving him their full backing after Sunday's 5-2 home win over Lazio sealed a Champions League qualifying place.

Third-placed Juve have achieved the feat in their first season back in the top flight following their relegation to Serie B for match-fixing and immediate promotion back.

Former Chelsea and Parma coach Ranieri, who took over in June after the departure of Didier Deschamps, said the players deserved their success after all the club had been through.

"A great thank you goes to the lads because it has not been easy to end up where we are. Compliments to everyone. It was not easy to be third three games from the end of the season. They have had a fantastic season," he told Sky television.

"The lads were great to follow me straight away. It was not easy for me to

Russia's Vera Zvonareva hits a return against Vania King of the US during their Fed Cup world group semi-final tennis match in Moscow on 27 April, 2008.—INTERNET

arrive at Juve, build a team and immediately win. Could we have done more? It is fine like this. I feel I have a team that has great personality, they know what they want and are able to achieve it."

Juve are five points behind secondplaced AS Roma and still have a chance of overhauling them and securing a berth in the full Champions League without needing to play a qualifier.—MNA/Reuters



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#### "Storm News" (Issued at 07:30 hours MST on 28-4-2008)

According to the observations at (06:30) hrs MST today. vesterday's tropical depression over Southeast Bay and adjoining Southwest Bay has further intensified into a tropical storm. It is centred at about (525) miles Southwest of Co co Island and forecast to move Northeast wards.

Under the influence of this storm, rain or thundershowers will be scattered to fairly widespread in Southern Rakhine, Kayin, Mon States, Yangon, Bago, Ayeyawady and Taninthayi Divisions during the next (48) hrs commencing morning today, Frequent squalls with rough seas are likely off and along Myanmar Coasts. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach (40) to (45) mph.

# Two die in New Zealand light plane crash

Wellington, 28 April — Two people died in a plane crash at the Royal New Zealand Air Force base at Whenuapai in the country's largest city of Auckland on Saturday.

The accident happened shortly after 4:30 pm (0430 GMT) on Saturday, Radio New Zealand reported.

The two-seater *Thorp T-18* light aircraft, believed to be a civilian plane, crashed between a hangar and an administration block.

The ambulance service said the plane's two occupants died at the scene after ploughing into the ground.

MNA/Xinhua

# **British innocent schoolboy** machine-gunned in bed

London, 28 April — An innocent 15-year-old schoolboy was sprayed with bullets from a machine gun as he lay in his own bed after becoming the victim of mistaken identity during a gang war, a London court heard on Friday.

Michael Dosunmu was hit by four bullets, one fatally wounding him in the heart, fired by two gunmen who had baurst into his home in south London looking for his brother.

Prosecutor Jonathan Laidlaw told the Old Bailey that it was shortly before 1 am on 6 February last year that the men had forced their way into Dosunmu's house in Peckham.

"They went straight to the first floor and entered one of the three bedrooms," he said. — MNA/Reuters

# 60 dead, 400 injured in east China train collision

injuries so far, railway authorities confirmed.

The Jinan Railway Bureau based in Shandong said 70 of the injured people were in critical condition.

The victims were from two passengers trains, one of which was en route from Beijing to Qingdao, a famous summer resort in Shandong and venue of the Olympic sailing competition, and the other, from Shandong's Yantai to Xuzhou in eastern Jiangsu Province.

The train from Beijing, coded T195, derailed in the city of Zibo in Shandong Province at 4:43 am. About 10 carriages toppled into a

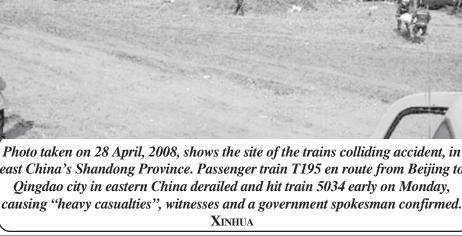
too.— MNA/Xinhua



The derailed train hit train 5034 and caused the latter to veer off its tracks,



east China's Shandong Province. Passenger train T195 en route from Beijing to Qingdao city in eastern China derailed and hit train 5034 early on Monday, causing "heavy casualties", witnesses and a government spokesman confirmed. XINHUA





Tuesday, 29 April View on today

#### 7:00 am

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#### 7:25 am

2. To be healthy exercise

#### 7:30 am

3. Morning news

#### 7:50 am

4. ရင်းငြိမ်ရေထိန်းတံခါး

#### 8:05 am

5. "တောမြိုင်စွန်းကလွမ်းမျက်ရည်' (ရဲအောင်၊လူမန်း၊သူထူးစံ၊ မေသဥ္စာဦး၊ထူးသာ၊ကမ္ဘာရား၊ ဂွမ်းပုံကြီး) (ဒါရိုက်တာ–ပန်းချီစိုးမိုး)

#### 8:30 am

6. International news

#### 8:45 am

7. လှုပ်ရှားပုံပြင်စိတ်ပျော်ရှင်

#### 4:00 pm

1. Martial songs 4:20 pm

2. အဝေးသင်တက္ကသိုလ်ပညာရေး ရုပ်မြင်သံကြားသင်ခန်းစာ– ပထမနှစ် (မြန်မာစာ၊မြန်မာမှုပညာ၊ အရှေ့တိုင်းပညာအထူးပြုများ)

#### (အရှေ့တိုင်းပညာ) 5:05 pm

3. မျိုးချစ်စိတ်ဓာတ်ရှင် သန် ထက်မြက်ရေးတေးများ

#### 5:15 pm

4. ဆိုကြမယ်ပျော်ကြမယ် 6:00 pm

### 5. Evening news

6:30 pm 6. Weather report

#### 6:35 pm

7. ကြယ်ပွင့်များရဲ့ရင်ခုန်သံ **6:50 pm** 

8. သူတစုံလင်ရွှောာက်ရှင် 7:15 pm

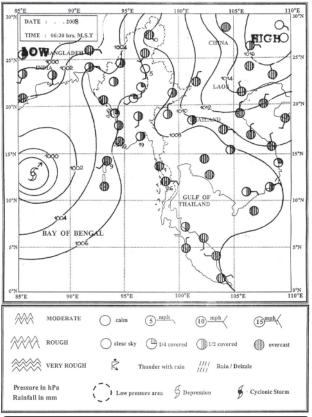
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- 10. Local news
- 11. International news
- 12. Weather report
- 13. "စိတ်အားထက်သန်ဆန္ဒအမုန်'

14. မြန်မာရပ်ရှင် 'အချစ်သည်လေပြည်" (အပိုင်း-၁) (ဒွေး၊စိုင်းဘိုဘို၊ဖြိုးငွေစိုး၊ အိန္ဒြာကျော်ဇင်၊စမိုင်းလ်၊ နဝရတ်)

(ဒါရိုက်တာ-ကိုအောင်မင်းသိမ်း)

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



#### WEATHER

#### Monday, 28 April, 2008

Summary of observations recorded at 9:30 hours MST: During the past 24 hours, rain or thundershowers widespread in Kachin State, Yangon and Taninthayi Divisions, fairly widespread in Ayeyawady Division, scattered in Shan, Rakhine States and Bago Division, isolated in Mon State, upper Sagaing and Mandalay Divisions, weather has been partly cloudy in the remaining States and Divisions. Day temperatures were (3°C) to (4°C) above April average temperatures in Shan, Chin, Rakhine States, Mandalay, Magway and Sagaing Divisions, (5°C) to (6°C) below April average temperatures in Bago and Taninthayi Divisions and about April average temperatures in the remaining States and Divisions. The significant day temperatures were Minbu (43°C), Chauk, Magway,Shwebo, Monywa and NyaungU (42°C) each, Myingyan and Aunglan (41°C) each. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Gwa (1.46) inches, Monghsat (1.22) inches, Hsipaw (1.18) inches, Myeik (1.02) inches, Katha (0.98) inch, Yangon (Central) (0.91) inch, Mogok and Pyapon (0.86) inch each, Yangon (Kaba-Aye) (0.82) inch, Putao (0.55) inch, Bhamo, Shwegyin, Kawthoung, Coco Island and Kayan (0.35) inch each.

Maximum temperature on 27-4-2008 was 95°F. Minimum temperature on 28-4-2008 was 73°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 28-4-2008 was 92%. Total sunshine hours on 27-4-2008 was (2.0) hours approx.

Rainfall on 28-4-2008 was (0.16) inch at Mingaladon, (0.82) inch at Kaba-Aye and (0.91) inch at Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2008 was (2.52) inches at Mingaladon, (4.21) inches at Kaba-Aye and (1.97) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (24) mph from Southwest at (18:30) hours MST on 27-4-

**Bay inference:** According to the observations at (09:30) hrs MST today the tropical storm over Southeast Bay and adjoining Southwest Bay still persists. It is centred at about (525) miles Southwest of Co co Island and forecast to move Northeast wards. Weather is partly cloudy to cloudy in the Andaman Sea and Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until evening of 29-4-2008: Rain or thundershowers will be scattered to fairly widespread in Kachin, Chin, Rakhine, Shan, Mon, Kayin and Kayah States, upper Sagaing, Mandalay, Bago, Yangon, Ayeyawady and Taninthayi Divisions, weather will be partly cloudy in the remaining States and Divisions. Degree of certainty is (80%).

State of the sea: Squalls with rough seas are likely at times off and along Myanmar Coasts. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach (45) mph.

Outlook for subsequent two days: Continuation of rain or thundershowers in Lower Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 29-4-2008: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 29-4-2008: One or two rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%)

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for **29-4-2008:** Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

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# Let us all

- \* who are equipped with ardent patriotism,
- \* who cherish genuine independence,
- \* who aspire perpetuation of sovereignty,
- \* who loathe foreign interference and manipulation, and
- \* who oppose puppet government with strings of colonialists,

# VOTE "YES" for ratification of the Constitution.

#### POEM:

### Voice of entire national races

With eight delegate groups
Convened the National Convention
True nationalistic fervour they have in
Writing the Constitution
Voice of entire national races
The draft Constitution
Let's approve it with
Rousing support

(Thiri Khin-Dagon)

- Democracy cannot be achieved by anarchism or violence, but by Constitution.
- Let's approve Constitution to shape our future by ourselves.

# 18<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of Myanmar Maternal and Child Welfare Association opened

Nay Pyi Taw, 28 April— The opening ceremony of the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of Myanmar Maternal and Child Welfare Association was held at the meeting hall of the association in Nay Pyi Taw Lewe this morning, with an address by Member of National Health Committee Minister for Health Dr Kyaw Myint.

Present on the occasion were Deputy Ministers Dr Mya Oo and Dr Paing Soe, President of Myanmar Women's Affairs Federation Daw Khin Khin Win and Vice-President Daw Khin Lay Myint, President of MMCWA Daw Khin Saw Hnin and Vice-Presidents Dr Daw Tin Lin Myint and Daw Aye Aye, CEC members, members of central council, chairpersons of State and Division Supervisory Committee for MCWAs, secretaries, joint-secretaries, officials of UN organizations, heads of departments and guests.

Minister for Health Dr Kyaw Myint made an opening speech on the occasion, saying that MMCWA plays a crucial role in carrying out the public health care services in unison joining hands with the Ministry of Health and relevant agencies with the aim of uplift of the public health standard.

The Government released the Law No 21/90 and set up the association on April 13 of 1991. The association has turned 17 years now. The association and its branches worked together in the fields of health, education, economic and social welfares effectively

and successfully for 17 years. It has now a membership of more than nine million, taking cooperative measures with health staff and the people for Let's continue to shoulder national duty

Every citizen who wants to serve the national interest and shapes their prosperous future realizes the benefit of casting 'Yes' vote for approval of the constitution.

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Kyaw Min Aye



Minister Dr Kyaw Myint, President of MWAF Daw Khin Khin Win, MMCWA President Daw Khin Saw Hnin and party browse documentary photos on activities of association (central) and state/division supervisory committee for MCWA.—MNA

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