

The NEW LIGHT OF MYANMAR

Since the establishment of diplomatic ties over 60 years ago, Myanmar and China have coexisted peacefully with equality, consideration and mutual understanding

President U Thein Sein

As a good neighbourly nation, China praises and supports Myanmar for her political system compatible with the Myanmar people

Chinese President Mr Hu Jintao



President U Thein Sein of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar confers with President of the People's Republic of China Mr. Hu Jintao for matters on mutual interests at the Great Hall of the People in Beijing.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 28 May—President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar U Thein Sein conferred with President of the People's Republic of China Mr. Hu Jintao for matters on mutual interests at the Great Hall of the People in Beijing yesterday.

President U Thein Sein was accompanied by Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Commander-in-Chief (Army) Lt-Gen Soe Win, Union Minister for Home Affairs Lt-Gen Ko Ko, Union Minister for Foreign Affairs U Wunna Maung Lwin, Union Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Myint Hlaing, Union Minister for Finance and Revenue U Hla Tun, Union Minister for National Planning and Economic Development and for Livestock and Fisheries U Tin Naing Thein, Union Minister for Commerce U Win Myint, Union

Minister for Mines U Thein Htaik, Union Minister for Transport U Nyan Tun Aung, Union Minister for Rail Transportation U Aung Min, Union Minister for Energy U Than Htay, Union Minister for Electric Power No (1) U Zaw Min, Deputy Minister for Construction U Kyaw Lwin, Deputy Minister for Health Dr Win Myint, Myanmar Ambassador to China U Tin Oo and high-ranking officials. President Mr Hu Jintao was accompanied by Member of the State Council Mr Dai Bengguo, Minister for Foreign Affairs Mr Yang Jiechi, Minister for Commerce Mr Chen Deming, Vice Minister for Transport Mr Feng Zhenglin, Vice Minister for Rail Service Mr Peng Kaizhou, Chinese Ambassador to Myanmar Mr Li Junhua and high-ranking officials.

Chinese President Mr Hu Jintao extended greetings, saying that it was the first visit to China for President U Thein Sein after taking office, and he met him as the President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar. He expressed belief that the visit will open a new chapter for cooperation for friendship between the two countries in the 21st century.

In his speech, President U Thein Sein expressed thanks for warm welcome and hospitality to the Myanmar delegation led by him. The visit was aimed at boosting mutual understanding, good neighbourly relations and cooperation for mutual interests after the nation has been formed as the Republic of the Union of Myanmar.

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Four political objectives

- * Stability of the State, community peace and tranquillity, prevalence of law and order
- * Strengthening of national solidarity
- * Building and strengthening of discipline-flourishing democracy system
- * Building of a new modern developed nation in accord with the Constitution

Four economic objectives

- * Building of modern industrialized nation through the agricultural development, and all-round development of other sectors of the economy
- * Proper evolution of the market-oriented economic system
- * Development of the economy inviting participation in terms of technical know-how and investment 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
- * Flourishing of Union Spirit, the true patriotism
- * Uplift of health, fitness and education standards of the entire nation

PERSPECTIVES

Sunday, 29 May, 2011

Comprehensive strategic cooperative partnership opens up a new chapter in history of Myanmar-China relations

For the past 60 years since the establishment of diplomatic relations between the Republic of the Union of Myanmar and the People's Republic of China, the two countries have coexisted peacefully with mutual friendship, exchange of visits, equality, sympathy and understanding.

In the area of bilateral relationship, both have the tradition of exchanging visits of two state leaders. To maintain such tradition and to reach a new certain level of bilateral relationship, President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar U Thein Sein paid a State visit to the People's Republic of China from 26 to 28 May at the invitation of Chinese President Mr Hu Jintao, and discussed bilateral relations and cooperation.

In his discussion, President U Thein Sein said "A historical Paukphaw relationship developed and it has reached a strategic level. So, efforts will be made for further strengthening the relations between the two countries."

"We are looking forward to promoting the bilateral relationship. As said Your Excellency, the relations between the two countries have reached a strategic level. And now, it has reached comprehensive strategic cooperative partnership", said Chinese President Mr Hu Jintao in his discussion.

Successful discussions of two state leaders during the State visit to PRC are results from improved existing mutual understanding, good neighbourliness and bilateral cooperation after the nation's transformation into the Republic of the Union of Myanmar.

Therefore, the visit of Myanmar delegation to China led by President U Thein Sein has promoted comprehensive strategic cooperative partnership. In addition, it is the highest level relationship in the area of relations between China and other nations and has opened a new chapter in the history of Myanmar-China relations.



Director Mr Helmy Sulaiman and Malaysian Ambassador H.E Dato' Mazlan Muhammad formally open the Exhibition.—NLM

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

Myanmar delegation led by President U Thein Sein arrives in China



President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar U Thein Sein being welcomed at Capital Airport.

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NAY PYI TAW, 28 May — President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar U Thein Sein and party left here for Beijing of China by special flight to pay the good-will visit to the People's Republic of China at the invitation of Chinese President Mr Hu Jintao at 10 am on 26 May.

President U Thein Sein was accompanied by Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Commander-in-Chief (Army) Lt-Gen Soe Win, Union Minister for Home Affairs Lt-Gen Ko Ko, Union Minister for Foreign

Affairs U Wunna Maung Lwin, Union Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Myint Hlaing, Union Minister for Finance and Revenue U Hla Tun, Union Minister for National Planning and Economic Development and for Livestock and Fisheries U Tin Naing Thein, Union Minister for Commerce U Win Myint, Union Minister for Mines U Thein Htaik, Union Minister for Transport U Nyan Tun Aung, Union Minister for Rail Transportation U Aung Min, Union Minister for Energy U Than Htay,

Union Minister for Electric Power No (1) U Zaw Min, deputy ministers and high-ranking departmental officials.

The special flight arrived at Capital Airport of Beijing in China at 3.40 pm local time.

Myanmar Ambassador to China U Tin Oo and Deputy Director-General Mr Xie Bohua of Protocol Department of Ministry of Foreign Affairs of China greeted the President on board.

The President was welcomed by Chinese Assistant Foreign Minister Mr Hu Zhengyue and

Chinese Ambassador to Myanmar Mr Li Junhua, and received bouquets presented by two Chinese and Myanmar kids while boarding off the plane.

Myanmar Ambassador to China U Tin Oo and wife, Military Attaché Col Tint Wai and wife and staff families of Myanmar Embassy and Office of Military Attaché also welcomed the President.

President U Thein Sein and delegation members arrived at Diaoyutai State Guest House in Beijing where they stayed.

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Education Malaysia Exhibition held

YANGON, 28 May — Information Centre of Education Malaysia held 6th Education Malaysia Exhibition at Park Royal Hotel here this morning.

Director of Education Malaysia, Ho Chi Minh of Higher Education Mr Helmy Sulaiman and Malaysian Ambassador H.E Dato' Mazlan Muhammad formally opened the fair.

A total of 20 schools from Malaysia displayed booth at the fair which continues 29 May. For more information, one may dial 095062891 and 09010 28760.—NLM

National Level Sports Managers Course concludes

YANGON, 28 May — The concluding ceremony of National Level Sports Managers Course No (1/2011) jointly conducted by International Olympic Committee and Myanmar National Sports Committee was held in Pyidaungsu Hall at Kyaikkasan Sports Ground in Yangon Region yesterday.

Director-General of Sports and Physical Education Department U Thuang Htaik delivered an address and presented completion certificates to each trainee.

The director-general also met athletes w—MNA



MI-17 helicopters from Russian search and rescue teams fly above the Kazakh steppe near the town of Arkalyk, in 2007.
INTERNET

Russia, US sign chopper deal for Afghanistan

MOSCOW, 28 May—Russia has signed a contract with the US Army to deliver 21 MI-17 helicopters to Afghanistan, new agencies quoted the defence ministry's arms oversight service as saying Friday.

The contract includes new helicopters, along with "delivery of spare parts, on-ground service, and material-technical support," *RIA Novosti* quoted the Federal Service for Military-Technical Cooperation statement as saying.

The contract was previously

valued by the Russian media at \$367.5 million.

The Russian helicopters will be sent to be used in Afghanistan's air force starting in October, with deliveries continuing through next year, *RIA-Novosti* reported.

Washington has decided to pick up the tab after months of talks between NATO and Russian officials ground to a halt. Some NATO states pressed Russia to deliver some of the transport helicopters for free as they were unable to pay Russia for the aircraft.—*Internet*

A member of an Illinois/Wisconsin search and rescue team uses her dog to search for possible victims of the massive tornado that passed through the town of Joplin killing at least 156 people.

INTERNET



Joplin tornado death toll rises to 132

JOPLIN, 28 May—The death toll from the monster tornado that tore through Joplin on Sunday rose to 132 on Friday after six more victims were identified, Joplin City Manager Mark Rohr said.

The tornado, already the deadliest single twister in the United States since 1947, injured more than 900 people, though officials said that figure could be higher because some people did not get to hospitals.

Some 156 people were still unaccounted for on Friday, as dozens were confirmed alive, six were determined to be dead and others were reported missing and added to the list of names authorities had released on Thursday, officials said.

"We are working around the clock to expedite this process so that families can have their loved ones returned to them," Missouri Deputy Director of Public Safety Andrea Spillars said.—*Reuters*

Seven killed, 10 injured in lightning strikes in Bangladesh

DHAKA, 28 May—Seven people were killed and 10 others injured on Friday in two lightning strikes in Bangladesh's Delduar sub-district of Tangail District, 92 km northwest of capital Dhaka. Rafiqul Islam Khan, chairman of Laohati Union Parishad, the bottom tier to the local government bodies in Bangladesh, said they heard peals of thunderbolt at about 2:00 pm local time.

"A group of people, who were harvesting Boro paddy (winter paddy) at a field during the time, were hit by the lightning and six of them died on the spot," he was quoted as saying by website of leading English newspaper *The Daily Star*, and adding that 10 others were also injured. The injured were sent to different hospitals in the District.—*Xinhua*



A wounded Afghan man receives treatment at a hospital after a bomb blast in eastern Jalalabad city on 27 May, 2011. Eight civilians were wounded by the explosion on Friday morning, according to local media.

INTERNET

Roadside bomb in Lebanon wounds six UN peacekeepers

BEIRUT, 28 May—A roadside bomb ripped through a UN convoy carrying Italian peacekeepers in southern Lebanon on Friday, wounding six of them in the first such attack since 2008, officials said.

"It was an attack against UNIFIL," said Italian Gen Santi Bonfanti, second-in-command of the mission known as UNIFIL, ruling out that the blast was specifically aimed at Italians. Bonfanti, speaking on Italian state TV, said that one soldier had undergone surgery while another was still in surgery. He said the other soldiers were in good condition.

The explosion struck as the peacekeepers' vehicles travelled south on the main highway in Sidon, leaving a crater in the road and scattered debris from the charred UN vehicles. Police said the bomb contained up

to 25 pounds (12 kilograms) of explosive material. Two civilians also were wounded. The UN Security Council and Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon strongly condemned the attack.

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Lebanese and UN soldiers inspect a damaged UN vehicle at Remaily village near the southern Lebanese port city of Sidon on 27 May, 2011.

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Afghan President moves to stop NATO night raids

KABUL, 28 May—The Afghan president has ordered his defence minister to tell NATO that Afghan forces — and not the international troops — should be the one to carry out special operations and nighttime raids.

Hamid Karzai's announcement on Saturday also says NATO should not proceed with any raids that have not been coordinated with Afghan forces.

The move is meant to assuage rising popular anger over coalition searches and nighttime raids of

homes. NATO forces have faced violent protests over night raids on villages where they are trying to flush out militants. It's unclear what immediate impact Karzai's statement will have.

NATO says the coalition understands it "must move from Afghan participation in night operations to Afghan forces having responsibility for night operations".

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Attacks kill three NATO personnel in south Afghanistan



An Afghan soldier inspects the walls marked by shrapnel at the scene of a suicide attack in Alingar, Laghman Province, east of Kabul, Afghanistan, on 23 May, 2011.

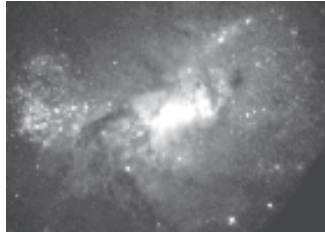
INTERNET

KABUL, 28 May—Militant attacks killed three NATO service members Friday in southern Afghanistan, the military alliance said, as Taliban-led fighters pressed a spring offensive that began at the start of this month.

NATO gave few details beyond saying that two of the service members were killed in a bomb attack and the third in a separate militant attack. It did not immediately announce their nationalities. Militants declared the start of a spring offensive on 1 May against NATO and the Afghan government. NATO has been expecting the Taliban to stage a series of spectacular and complex attacks, and the group has carried out a number of them. On Thursday, two back-to-back blasts killed eight US troops and two Afghan policemen on a foot patrol in southern Afghanistan. The second bomb detonated as troops rushed to aid those hurt in the first explosion, NATO said.—*Internet*



Aussie student finds universe's 'missing mass'



This NASA illustration photo shows stars that are forming in a dwarf starburst galaxy located about 30 million light years from Earth.

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SYDNEY, 28 May—A 22-year-old Australian university student has solved a problem which has puzzled astrophysicists for decades, discovering part of the so-called "missing mass" of the universe during her summer break.

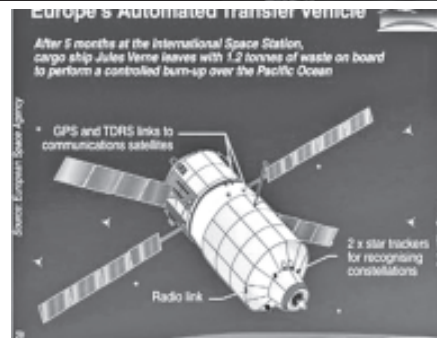
Undergraduate Amelia Fraser-McKelvie made the breakthrough during a holiday internship with a team at Monash University's School of Physics, locating the mystery material within vast structures called "filaments of galaxies".

Monash astrophysicist Dr Kevin Pimblett explained that scientists had previously detected matter that was present in the early history of the universe but that could not now be located. "There is missing mass, ordinary mass not dark mass. It's missing to the present day," Pimblett told AFP.

"We don't know where it went. Now we do know where it went because that's what Amelia found." Fraser-McKelvie, an aerospace engineering and science student, was able to confirm after a targeted X-ray search for the mystery mass that it had moved to the "filaments of galaxies", which stretch across enormous expanses of space.

Pimblett's earlier work had suggested the filaments as a possible location for the "missing" matter, thought to be low in density but high in temperature. Pimblett said astrophysicists had known about the "missing" mass for the past two decades, but the technology needed to pinpoint its location had only become available in recent years.

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Europe's Automated Transfer Vehicle. The fourth of Europe's robot freighters, due to be launched to the International Space Station (ISS) in early 2013, has been named after Albert Einstein, the European Space Agency (ESA) said on Thursday.

INTERNET

Reindeer can see what humans can't

LONDON, 28 May—UK researchers say ultraviolet light that causes the temporary but painful condition of snow blindness in humans is life-saving for reindeer in the arctic. The ability to see in the ultraviolet band of the light spectrum is part of a unique ability to adapt to the extreme arctic environment where reindeer live, researchers said.

"We discovered that reindeer can not only see ultraviolet light but they can also make sense of the image to find food and stay safe," Glen Jeffery of University College London said.

"Humans and almost all other mammals could never do this as our

lenses just don't let UV through into the eye." Humans can see light with wavelengths down to 400nm, which corresponds to violet. Researchers testing reindeer vision found they can handle wave-lengths down to around 350-320nm, dubbed ultra-violet because it exceeds the extreme of the so-called visible spectrum of colours. In arctic winter conditions, the ground is covered in snow and the sun is very low on the horizon, sometimes barely rising in the middle of the day, making it dark for most of the time. Light is scattered in these conditions to the point where most light that reaches objects is blue or UV.—Internet



Apple's iPhone 4 finally comes to India

NEW DELHI, 28 May—Apple's iPhone 4 made its debut in India on Friday, nearly a year after the updated model of the handset was launched in the United States, amid growing demand for smartphones.

Two Indian mobile firms launched the iPhone 4 using a pricing scheme that permits customers to recover the cost of the smartphone in monthly credits over a two-year period.

Indian mobile phone company Aircel is charging 34,500 rupees (\$764) for the iPhone 4 with a 16 GB capacity and 40,900 rupees for the 32 GB version.

Market leader Bharti Airtel, which already sells earlier models of the iPhone, has a similar scheme for the iPhone 4, which boasts a better quality screen and greater battery life than earlier versions.

India, which has the fastestgrowing mobile market, has more than 800 million cellular

subscribers in the country where high-speed third-generation (3G) mobile networks, offering high speed data transfer capabilities, now are being rolled out. But smartphones represent only five percent of Indian handset sales. Mobile firms making smartphones see India as a market with vast potential with the new 3G services increasing consumer demand for the devices.

Aircel director Sandip Das, whose company is one of India's newer players, said in a statement he expected strong demand for the iPhone 4 thanks to the "robust rollout" of 3G services.

3G services will "drive the next wave of growth in the country's telecom industry," added Atul Bindal, Bharti Airtel president of mobile services. CyberMedia Research has forecast overall sales of smartphones will total nearly 12 million in India in 2011, nearly double last year's number.

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Skype says some users had problems signing in



In this 10 May, 2011 file photo, the exterior view of Skype offices in Palo Alto, Calif, are shown.—INTERNET

NEW YORK, 28 May—Internet phone service Skype says a small percentage of its 170 million users have been unable to sign in to its service, a problem that it expects to fix with a software update.

Skype said on its website the trouble stemmed from corrupted data affecting computers using Windows, Linux or Macintosh operating systems. The company, which is based in Luxembourg, said it released a new version of Skype for Windows late Thursday to deal with issue. On Friday, it released a version for Mac. Linux users were told to delete a file manually.

Skype said individuals using its service on cellphones, televisions or other non-computer devices were unaffected. Skype's service, which allows users to make voice or video calls for free or for low rates, has become a popular way to lower calling costs.—Internet



The solar vehicle, EOLIAN 2, is displayed in the main square "Plaza de la Constitucion", in Santiago, capital of Chile, 27 May, 2011. The solar-powered vehicle was developed by students of the University of Chile, to compete in the solar car racing "World Solar Challenge" and "Atacama Solar Challenge".

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Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham, wife attend Tipitakadhara Tipitakakovida honouring ceremony

YANGON, 28 May – A ceremony to honour 84 monks who passed the 63rd Tipitakadhara Tipitakakovida Selection Examination – one Mula Abhidhammakovida monk, four Mula Abhidhammika monks, two Dighanikayakovida monks, two Dighabhanaka monks, six Vinayakovida monks, 19 Vinayadhara monks, nine Ubhato Vibhagakovida monks and 41 Ubhato Vibhangadhara monks – took place at Maha Pasana Cave on Kaba Aye Hill in Mayangon Township this morning, attended by Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham and wife Daw Nan Shwe Hmon.

wife, deputy ministers, Yangon Region ministers, departmental heads, members of religious associations, disciples and wellwishers.

The ceremony started with a three-time recitation of Namo Tassa. Next, the Vice-President and wife and congregation received the Five Precepts from the Bhamo Monastery Sayadaw. Then, the Sayadaw read out the Ovadakatha of SSMNC.

Union Minister for Religious Affairs Thura U Myint Maung supplicated on religious affairs.

The Vice-President offered Mula Abhidhammakovida ti-

monk and two Vinayakovida monks; Union Minister for Hotels and Tourism and for Sports U Tint Hsan to four Vinayakovida monks; Union Minister for Electric Power No.2 U Khin Maung Soe to three Vinayadhara monks; Union Minister for Health Dr Pe Thet Khin to three Vinayadhara monks; Union Minister for Immigration and Population U Khin Yi to four Vinayadhara monks; Union Minister at the President Office U Soe Maung to three Vinayadhara monks; and Yangon Region Chief Minister U Myint Swe to three



State Sangha Maha Nayaka Committee Chairman Sayadaw of Bhamo Monastery in Mandalay Abhidhaja Maha Rattha Guru Abhidhaja Agga Maha Saddhammajotika Dr Bhaddanta Kumara Bhivamsa reads out Ovadakatha of SSMNC.—MNA



Abhidhaja Maha Rattha Guru Bhaddanta Sayadaw Aggavamsa Bhivamsa Sayadaw administers Five Precepts to congregation led by Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham and wife Daw Nan Shwe Hmon.—MNA

Also present on the occasion were Chairman of State Sangha Maha Nayaka Committee Sayadaw of Bhamo Monastery in Mandalay Abhidhaja Maha Rattha Guru Abhidhaja Agga Maha Saddhammajotika Dr Bhaddanta Kumara Bhivamsa and member Sayadaws, Ovadacariya Sayadaws of the examination, Tipitakadhara Tipitakakovida Sayadaws, supervisory Sayadaws of the examination and the monks who passed the examination, members of the Sangha, Union ministers and their wives, the chief minister of Yangon Region and

tle and certificate to Ashin Vicitta Linkara of Dagon Township Tipitaka Monastery of Yangon Region.

Union Minister for Defence Maj-Gen Hla Min offered titles and certificates to two Mula Abhidhammika monks; Union Minister for Religious Affairs Thura U Myint Maung to two Mula Abhidhammika monks; Union Minister for Labour and for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement U Aung Kyi to two Dighanikaya-kovida monks and one Dighabhanaka monk; Union Minister for Forestry U Win Tun to one Dighabhanaka

Vinayadhara monks.

The deputy ministers, Yangon Region ministers and officials offered titles and certificates to three Vinayadhara monks, nine Ubhato Vibhagakovida monks and 41 Ubhato Vibhangadhara monks.

Then, Secretary of SSMNC Agga Maha Pandita Agga Maha Saddhammajotikadhaja Bhaddanta Khemeindasami delivered a sermon.

After the ceremony, the Vice-President and wife and party offered provisions to the members of the Sangha.

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Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham offers Mula Abhidhammakovida title and certificate to Ashin Vicitta Linkara of Dagon Township Tipitaka Monastery of Yangon Region.—MNA

Myanmar President receives warm welcome in China

NAY PYI TAW, 28 May — A ceremony to welcome President U Thein Sein of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar by Chinese President Mr Hu Jintao was held at Northern section of the Great Hall of the People in Beijing at 5.15 pm yesterday.

President Mr Hu Jintao of the People's Republic of China extended a warm welcome to the Myanmar President on the visiting side's arrival at the hall by car.

The Chinese President introduced members of the welcoming party to his Myanmar counterpart who then presented his entourage to Mr Hu Jintao.

After taking position on dais, they took salute of the Guard of Honour. At that moment, the State band played national anthems of the two countries.

The two presidents inspected the Guard of Honour. At the welcoming ceremony, President U Thein

Sein was accompanied by Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Commander-in-Chief (Army) Lt-Gen Soe Win, Union Ministers Lt-Gen Ko Ko and U Wunna Maung Lwin, together with other Union ministers, high-ranking departmental officials, Myanmar Ambassador to China U Tin Oo and Military Attaché Col Tint Wai.

Also present at the ceremony together with Mr Hu Jintao were Vice-President of National People's Congress of PRC Mr Zhou Tzehong, State Council Member Mr Dai Bengguo, Vice-Chairman of Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference Mr Bai Lizhen, Minister for Foreign Affairs Mr Yang Jiechi, Minister for Commerce Mr Chen Deming, Chinese Ambassador to Myanmar Mr Li Junhua and high-level officials.—MNA



President U Thein Sein of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar shakes hands with Chinese President Mr Hu Jintao.

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Myanmar President U Thein Sein and Chinese President Mr Hu Jintao inspect Guard of Honour.

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President U Thein Sein of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar and President of the People's Republic of China Mr Hu Jintao take salute of Guard of Honour.

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President of the People's Republic of China Mr Hu Jintao cordially greets Myanmar delegation at ceremony to welcome President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar U Thein Sein.

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Myanmar President, Mr Jia Qinglin discuss mutual cooperation

NAY PYI TAW, 28 May—Visiting Myanmar President U Thein Sein met Member of the Politburo Standing Committee of the Communist Party of China and Chairman of the 11th National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference Mr Jia Qinglin at the Great Hall of the People in Beijing, China yesterday evening.

The Myanmar President was accompanied by Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services

Commander-in-Chief (Army) Lt-Gen Soe Win, Union Ministers including Union Minister for Home Affairs Lt-Gen Ko Ko, and Union Minister for Foreign Affairs U Wunna Maung Lwin, Myanmar Ambassador to China U Tin Oo and high-ranking officials. Together with Mr Jia Qinglin were Foreign Affairs Minister Mr Yang Jiechi, Chinese Ambassador to Myanmar Mr Li Junhua, Deputy Secretary-General Mr Wang Sheng Hong of the Chinese People's Political

Consultative Conference, Director of Research Department of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference Mr Liu Jia Yi, Director-General Mr Luo Zhaohui of the Department of Asian Affairs of Ministry of Foreign Affairs and high-ranking officials.

The two sides exchanged views on rapid development of bilateral ties due to vision and guidance of the leaders of the two nations and mutual cooperation.

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President U Thein Sein of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar greets the welcoming party led by PRC President Mr Hu Jintao. (News on page 6)—MNA



President U Thein Sein meets Member of the Politburo Standing Committee of the Communist Party of China and Chairman of the 11th National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference Mr Jia Qinglin at the Great Hall of the People in Beijing.—MNA

IP Union Minister on inspection tour of INRDs

NAY PYI TAW, 28 May—Union Minister for Immigration and Population U Khin Yi, accompanied by Bago Region Minister for Security and Border Affairs Col Thet Tun and officials, met staff of Bago and Toungoo District Immigration and National Registration Departments at the city hall in Bago on 26 May.

The Union Minister visited the

Township INRD and Region INRD in Bago. At the office of Hlegu Township INRD, the Union Minister cordially greeted the local people who submitted applications for Citizenship Scrutiny Card and household registration lists and attended to the needs.

This morning, he met staff of Thayawady and Pyay District INRDs at Thayawady INRD.—MNA



Union Minister for Immigration and Population U Khin Yi inspects issuing Citizenship Scrutiny Card and census in Hlegu Township.

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MRI Building of Parami Hospital opened, Monsoon Discount and Lifestyle Fair 2011 in progress

YANGON, 28 May—Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) Building of Parami Hospital on new Parami Street in Mayangon Township here was opened yesterday, attended by Chief Minister of Yangon Region U Myint Swe.

Yangon Mayor Minister for Development Affairs U Hla Myint,

Region Minister for Education, Health, Foreign Affairs and Immigration U Nyan Tun Oo and Patron of Taw Win Parami Bioscience Company Ltd U Khin Maung Aye formally opened the MRI building.

The Region Chief Minister and party then looked round the MRI

building and Ultrasound Division of the hospital. They then attended the opening of Monsoon Discount and Lifestyle Fair 2011 at Tatmadaw Convention Hall on U Wisara Road. 30 companies will be exhibiting consumer products at 90 booths till 30 May.—MNA

Lashio marks school enrolment week

NAY PYI TAW, 28 May—Lashio held the school enrolment week along with the presenting of school textbooks, exercise books, stationery and school uniforms at City Hall on 26 May.

Shan State Security and Border Affairs Minister Col Aung Thu gave an address, and handed over 180,527 sets of primary school textbooks worth K 69,988,820 and 9500 dozens of exercise

books to Deputy Director (Examination) of No (2) Basic Education Department Daw Khin Mya Than.

Well-wishers donated stationery, exercise books, 250 sets of school uniforms, K 6,796,800 for furniture and pedagogical aids, alongside books and stationery worth K 99,900 to No (7) BEHS.

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Since the establishment of diplomatic ties...

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The meeting is believed to be productive of several good results and successful as the two sides will hold discussions for a landmark in the history of relations between the two countries based on Paukphaw fraternal relations and strategic cooperation.

Since the establishment of diplomatic ties over 60 years ago, the two countries have coexisted peacefully with equality, consideration and mutual understanding.

On behalf of the people and the government, he invited the Chinese President to visit Myanmar when it is opportune to preserve the fine tradition of exchanging visits of leaders of the two countries, which is a salient character of reciprocal relationship, and to improve bilateral relationship into a higher level.

Having designated as partners for multi-strategic cooperation Myanmar-China relations have reached a new chapter as well as the highest level in China's foreign relations.

Both two countries have to work hard at all levels for maintaining multi-strategic cooperation partnership relations.

Bilateral relations are indispensable for stability of borders and peace of the two countries. Therefore, the two countries and peoples have to work together for the rule of law, stability and peace of the border areas.

In addition, he had held in-depth discussions with Premier Mr Wen Jiabao for ensuring stability and peace, and smooth and safe completion of the projects being implemented along the borders.

He again thanked China for cooperation and assistance from 1988 onwards for Myanmar's economic growth which makes significant contribution towards Myanmar's development.

On their visit to Myanmar, Vice President Mr Xi Jinping, Premier Mr Wen Jiabao and Chairman of Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference Mr Jia Qinglin signed 36 MoUs with Myanmar for bilateral cooperation for mutual interest and Myanmar's economic development.

Myanmar has proposed projects to be implemented with bilateral cooperation, so Myanmar would like China to continue providing funds and rendering assistance for other projects. Last April, the Ministry of Rail Transportation of Myanmar and Railroad Engineering Cooperation of China signed an MoU for Muse-Kyaukpyu Railroad Project. Myanmar will provide necessary assistance for the project which is due to be completed in five years.

Moreover, bilateral cooperation will be scaled up for Kyaukpyu Economic and Technological Development Zone, deep-sea port and railroad projects.

He expressed thanks for the agreements to be signed for financial assistance, interest-free loans and economic loans.

China gained experiences of 2008 Beijing Olympics and Guangzhou Asian Games 2010 and international conferences.

Myanmar will host SEA Games in 2013 and

ASEAN Summit in 2014, so Myanmar would like China to render assistance.

In relation to bilateral trade, China is the largest trade partner of Myanmar. In 2010-2011 financial year, the trade value between the two countries reached close to 5.3 billion US dollars, and it is expected to hit 6 billion US dollars in 2011-2012 financial year.

Regarding investment, China is the largest foreign investor in Myanmar, investing 15.8 billion US dollars in 72 projects.

Myanmar is planning to issue laws on special zones and particular zones. As the law on Dawei special zone, thriving companies and investors from China are invited to invest in Myanmar. When it comes to the new government's foreign policy, Myanmar will continue to practise the independent and active non-aligned foreign policy and remain the relations with all global countries in accord with the five principles of peaceful coexistence.

As a UN member, Myanmar will continue to actively cooperate with regional and international organizations including UN. The foreign policy of Myanmar to have friendly relations with the neighbouring nations is a fundamental and important point. So, Myanmar will remain friendly relations with her neighbours. The historical Paukphaw relationship developed and it has reached a strategic level. And efforts will be made to further consolidate the friendship between the two countries.

Making best use of sound foundations already built in the drive for national development, the new government has laid down important and fundamental

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President U Thein Sein of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar and President of the People's Republic of China Mr Hu Jintao at ceremony to sign contracts and MoUs.

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work programs for the future in order to be able to practise correct and strong democracy. Moreover, Myanmar will make sure that the work plans of the Union government and State and Region governments have transparency and accountability and are in conformity with the constitution and existing laws.

At the same time, the new government will make its tasks and duties effective and expeditious giving priority to public wishes. The President wished more friendship and cooperation between the two countries; Chinese President and people health and happiness and more progress and prosperity.

The Chinese President expressed thanks for recognizing the relations between the two countries. Diplomatic ties between the two countries have been more than 60 years old. Two countries have been dealing with each other in accordance with the five principles of peaceful coexistence, under which bilateral relationship developed. Chinese president praised and thanked Myanmar for giving strong support for One China Policy China has struck to and Taiwan, Tibet and Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region issues.

Based on Myanmar President's discussion, the Chinese President gave some suggestions. First, relations between the two countries is to be promoted. Mr Hu Jintao also said that bilateral relationship has reached a strategic level. Now, it has reached comprehensive strategic cooperative partnership. Secondly, through bilateral cooperation, strategic supports have to be promoted.

As developing countries, Myanmar and China have international and regional common interests. China will protect Myanmar's interest. China welcomes Myanmar to host SEA Games and Myanmar's alternative chairmanship of ASEAN in 2013 and 2014 respectively. As said Myanmar President, assistance will be rendered if necessary. In addition, China supports holding of GMS meeting in Myanmar. The third point is to make pragmatic cooperation.

China will plan to purchase more export items of Myanmar and push her into developing stable trade in the long run. This year, measures are to be taken to see volume of bilateral trade reach 6 billion. The fourth point is more cooperation are to be made in energy, electricity, transport and agriculture sectors. Now, China is cooperating with Myanmar in Ayeyawady Myitsone hydropower project, oil and gas pipeline project, general commodity production projects in Sagaing Region and Kachin State.

China places much emphasis on construction of Myanmar-China road and China's suggestion is to build communication roads including Muse-Lashio with the use of China's assistance. Another thing the Chinese President's discussion is peace and stability of border region. With over 2000 kilometer long border, peace and stability of border region is very important. China places much emphasis on Myanmar and the integrity of its sovereignty. For the Myanmar people and the government, national consolidation is of utmost importance and China understands and supports its efforts for national consolidation.

Myanmar has opened a new chapter in history as it accomplished the last of the seven-step Road Map and was able to form a new government. As a good neighbourly nation, China praises and supports Myanmar for her political system compatible with the Myanmar people. China wishes the Myanmar government and the people success in the national development drive.

President U Thein Sein said that it was his great pleasure to know the opinions and suggestions about Myanmar. Myanmar is grateful to China for its all-round support and cooperation. Myanmar fully supports China for reconstitution of the UN and South China Sea issues. President U Thein Sein thanked the Chinese President for considering a visit to Myanmar.—MNA

China to assist Myanmar in 2013 SEA Games and 2014 ASEAN Summit

NAY PYI TAW, 28 May— President U Thein Sein during his tour of China met Premier of the State Council Mr Wen Jiabao of the People's Republic of China at Zhongnanhai Hall in premier's office in Beijing yesterday evening.

The President was accompanied by Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Commander-in-Chief (Army) Lt-Gen Soe Win, Union Minister for Home Affairs Lt-Gen Ko Ko, Union Minister for Foreign Affairs U Wunna Maung Lwin, Union Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Myint Hlaing, Union Minister for Finance and Revenue U Hla Tun, Union Minister for National Planning and Economic Development and for Livestock and Fisheries U Tin Naing Thein, Union Minister for Commerce U Win Myint, Union Minister for Energy U Than Htay, Myanmar Ambassador to China U Tin Oo and high-ranking officials. Together with the Chinese Premier were Foreign Minister Mr Yang Jiechi, Commerce Minister Mr Chen Deming, Chief of National

Energy Administration Mr Liu Tienan, Chinese Ambassador to Myanmar Mr Li Junhua and high-ranking officials.

The two sides discussed and exchanged views on progress of cooperation in economic, political and social sectors through exchange of visits between heads of state of the two nations, issue of a joint statement on establishing a comprehensive strategic cooperative partnership, rapid development of mutual cooperation in last decades, progress of oil and gas pipeline, hydropower, mines, energy, industrial, and agricultural projects, and Shweli-Muse-Lashio-Kyaukpkyu railroad project, potentials for cooperation in crops cultivation sector by applying technology from China on Myanmar's fertile soil, China's assistance in successfully holding SEA Games to be hosted by Myanmar in 2013, and ASEAN Summit and taking responsibility of ASEAN alternative Chairmanship in 2014, stability of border regions, cooperation for full security in implementing respective projects.—MNA



President U Thein Sein shakes hands with Premier of the State Council Mr Wen Jiabao of PRC.—MNA

President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar U Thein Sein meets with Premier of the State Council Mr Wen Jiabao of the People's Republic of China in Beijing.

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Myanmar, PRC issue joint statement on establishing comprehensive strategic cooperative partnership

NAY PYI TAW, 28 May—At the invitation of President Mr Hu Jintao of the People's Republic of China, President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar U Thein Sein paid a state visit to China from 26 to 28 May. During the visit, a joint-statement on establishing a comprehensive strategic cooperative partnership was issued. The following is the full text of the joint statement.

Joint Statement Between

The Republic of the Union of Myanmar and The People's Republic of China on Establishing a Comprehensive Strategic Cooperative Partnership

At the invitation of President Mr. Hu Jintao of the People's Republic of China, President U Thein Sein the Republic of the Union of Myanmar paid a state visit to the People's Republic of China from 26 to 28 May 2011.

During the visit, President Mr Hu Jintao held talks with President U Thein Sein. Premier Wen Jiabao of the State Council and Chairman Mr Jia Qinglin of the National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference met with President U Thein Sein. The two sides had in-depth exchange of views on bilateral relations and international and regional issues of common interest in a friendly atmosphere.

The two sides agreed that since the establishment of diplomatic relations on 8 June 1950, the good-neighborly friendship and cooperation between China and Myanmar have been developing smoothly. Especially since the beginning of the new century, the leaders of the two sides have maintained close contact, friendly cooperation in political, economic, cultural, scientific, and technological areas have kept expanding, and the traditional Paukphaw friendship between the two peoples has been growing from strength to strength. The two sides are satisfied with the development of the bilateral relations.

The two sides stressed that China-Myanmar relations, which are based on the Five Principles of Peaceful Coexistence jointly initiated by the two sides, have stood the tests of the changes in the international situation and in the respective domestic situation and enjoy broad prospects for development.

The two sides agreed that the world today is undergoing great development, great changes and great adjustment, and the trend towards multipolarity and economic globalization have gained momentum. Countries have become more interdependent. Peace, development and cooperation not only represent the trend of the times, but also serve the common interests

of the countries and peoples in the region. Under the new circumstances, further promoting China-Myanmar relations on the basis of the existing friendly cooperation meets the need of the two countries to realize common development, serves the fundamental interests of the two countries and their people, and is conducive to peace, stability and prosperity of the region. On the basis of the above-mentioned common political will, the two sides agree to establish China-Myanmar comprehensive strategic cooperative partnership and reached the following agreement:

1. The two sides will maintain close high-level contacts, continue to promote strategic mutual trust and further enhance friendly exchanges and cooperation between the parliaments, governments, judicial departments and political parties of the two countries.
2. The two sides will continue to carry out consultations between the foreign ministries of the two countries on an irregular basis, have timely exchange of views on bilateral relations and international and regional hotspot issues, and hold regular meetings on bilateral and multilateral occasions to strengthen strategic communication.
3. The two sides will follow the principles of equality, mutual benefit, drawing upon each other's strengths and emphasizing practical results, further enhance the size and level of the economic cooperation and trade between the two countries, work to strengthen healthy, stable and sustainable business ties, make joint efforts to create a favourable environment for trade and investment cooperation, enhance the closer economic and trade exchanges between the two countries in accordance with their economic and trade policies.
4. The two sides will continue to conduct friendly cooperation in such areas as education, culture, science, and technology, health, agriculture and tourism on the basis of mutual benefit, strengthen people-to-people and cultural exchanges, increase mutual visits, and deepen mutual understanding and friendship between the two peoples.

China-Myanmar friendship

- * Leaders of two countries
Notsaying shallowly
But from the bottom of heart
Frankly and peacefully
Words of amity and mutual respect
- * Brethren of both countries
Ever with sincerity
Clear visions they hold
Helpful to one another
And cherish the friendship
- * Ties of kindred
Like water in same river
Unity at heart
Attentive to bilateral affairs
With firm resolve in mind
Proclaim they globally
The comprehensive strategic cooperative partnership
- * Respect and love the nucleus
Visions integrated with common interest
Long live our true friendship
As long as the world exists

Maung Chit Aye
Temporary resident in Beijing

5. The two sides will strengthen border management cooperation, conduct timely communication on border management affairs, and strive to maintain peace, tranquility and stability in border areas.
6. The Chinese side reaffirms its respect for Myanmar's independence, sovereignty, and territorial integrity and its support for Myanmar's pursuit of its development path suited to its national conditions. Myanmar reiterates that it adheres to one China policy, recognizes that the People's Republic of China is the sole legal government representing the whole of China and that Taiwan is unalienable part of the Chinese territory, will continue to support the peaceful development of cross-Strait relations and China's cause of peaceful reunification.
7. The two sides will further enhance coordination and cooperation in the United Nations and other multilateral areas, jointly safeguard the interests of developing countries, strengthen cooperation in such mechanisms as the ASEAN Plus China, Japan and the ROK, ASEAN plus China and Greater Mekong Sub regional Economic cooperation, and promote common development and prosperity of the region.

Beijing, 27 May 2011

Montaekwin-Kyidaung-Khawma-Nay Pyi Taw circular road under construction

NAY PYI TAW, 28 May — Montaekwin-Kyidaung-Khawma-Nay Pyi Taw circular road is being built by two special road construction groups, one township group of Nay Pyi Taw and one special bridge construction group.

Union Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint yesterday inspected the works of paving concrete, extending road and construction of box culverts along the road. He gave necessary instructions to officials.—MNA

Shan State welcomes new academic year

NAY PYI TAW, 27 May—Shan State marked school enrollment day for 2011-2012 academic year at No. 4 Basic Education High School in Taunggyi, with

an address by Shan State Chief Minister U Sao Aung Myat.

The chief minister handed over primary education school text books provided by the

State to the Shan State education officer and donors including No. 2 Basic Education Department and Shan State Government presented cash and kind

for school children.

The Region Chief Minister and wife, and Shan State ministers then viewed students enrolling at BEHS- 4, BEHS-5, BEMS-3 and BEPS-8 and distributed text books and note books.—MNA

YANGON, 27 May—Vice-Chairman of Myanmar Rice Industry Association U Sein Win Hlaing, Joint-Secretary-1 U Myo Thura Aye and CEC member U Thaug Win met Rice Economist Mrs Debbie Rubas of the US Agriculture

Department and Agriculturist Dr U Tun Win at its office in Lanmadaw Township on 25 May morning.

Likewise, Director Mr

Zion Shemer of Ramat Vegev Desert Agrorresearch Center of Israel and Research & Development Manager Mr Yaacov Moskovitch led by

Israeli Ambassador Mr Yaron Mayer held a discussion with responsible persons of the Myanmar Rice Industry Association in the afternoon.—MNA

Vice-Chairman of MRIA meets foreign guests

Tree rings reveal El Nino history



Bristlecone pines, such as this over 1,000-year-old tree in the Great Basin National Park, contributed to the tree ring record on El Niño. Photo courtesy Gisela Speidel, IPRC.—INTERNET

NEW YORK, 28 May—Scientists say tree-ring data from the American Southwest is providing a 1,100-year history of the global climate effects of the El Niño and La Niña cycles. Scientists have speculated that a warming planet will make those periodic

shifts in Pacific Ocean temperatures that affect weather around the globe more volatile and say the tree-ring data backs up that theory, a release by Columbia University said Friday.

Researchers at Columbia say an analysis of the tree rings

shows a 50- to 90-year cycle of waxing and waning El Niño intensity proving that when the Earth warms, the climate acts up.

The tree ring analysis corresponded to several other records including instrument readings for Pacific Ocean surface temperatures, isotope analysis of modern and relic corals from around the Pacific, and other climate reconstructions, researchers said.

“Our work revealed that the towering trees on the mountain slopes of the US Southwest and the colorful corals in the tropical Pacific both listen to the music of El Niño, which shows its signature in their yearly growth rings,” lead study author Jinbao Li said.—*Internet*



Sri Lankan President Mahinda Rajapaksa (R Front) inspects the “Victory Day” parade marking the second anniversary of the ending of the civil war in Colombo, capital of Sri Lanka, on 27 May, 2011.—XINHUA

China’s art market up 41% in 2010

BEIJING, 28 May—China’s art sales reached 169.4 billion yuan (26 billion US dollars) last year, up 41 percent from 2009, according to an annual report on the art market.

The report, released by the Ministry of Culture on Friday, quoted the European Fine Art Foundation as saying that China overtook Britain last

year to become the world’s second biggest art and antique market, with a 23 percent share of the global art business.

The domestic art market has been increasing rapidly, making it imperative to step up legal work and carry out routine supervision on the sector, said the report.—*Xinhua*

Brazil’s GDP growth to slow down

RIO DE JANEIRO, 28 May —Brazilian Finance Minister Guido Mantega said on Friday that the country would see a slowdown in gross domestic growth (GDP) starting in the second quarter. “We will not stop growing, (and) we will grow moderately,” he said during a lunch with businessmen in Sao Paulo. The minister said Brazil would grow at 4.5 percent this year, which he considers ideal. Mantega also talked about the possibility of reducing corporate payroll taxes and tax reform.

Commenting on the public sector’s primary surplus, Mantega said it reached some 60 billion reais (about 37.5 billion US dollars) in the first four months of this year, surpassing the previous projection. “We are strengthening the country’s fiscal results and reducing the demands of the state,” he said.—*Xinhua*



Farmers transplant rice seedlings in paddy fields in Zhuhe Township of Jianli County, central China’s Hubei Province, on 27 May, 2011. The local farmers are in a hurry to transplant seedlings after a precious rainfall during the period of severe drought.

XINHUA

Raising good cholesterol has little impact

WASHINGTON, 28 May—Raising the blood levels of good cholesterol does nothing to reduce the risk of cardiovascular disease in patients already taking statins to lower their bad cholesterol, a federally-funded study has determined.

Scientists at the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI), which led the study of some 3,400 Canadians and Americans, said Thursday they had prematurely terminated the trials after the results became clear.

During the 32-month study, half the patients took extra doses of niacin, also known as vitamin B3, to raise their levels of good cholesterol, as well as a statin to lower their levels of bad cholesterol and triglycerides.

The other half took a placebo instead of the niacin, while continuing with the statin treatment.

While it is well known that lowering the level of bad cholesterol with statins like Lipitor or Zocor reduces the risk of cardiovascular disease, researchers were surprised to find that when patients also took high dose, extended-release niacin, there was no additional drop in heart disease or stroke.

Internet



Assorted medicine pills are displayed. Raising the blood levels of good cholesterol does nothing to reduce the risk of cardiovascular disease in patients already taking statins to lower their bad cholesterol, a federally-funded study has determined.—INTERNET

Air India grounds flights amid jet fuel woes



Air India aircraft pictured at Indira Gandhi International Airport in New Delhi last July. Cash-strapped Air India was forced to cancel some flights Friday after oil companies refused to give the state-run carrier fuel because of a failure to pay bills.—INTERNET

NEW DELHI, 28 May—Cash-strapped Air India was forced to cancel some flights Friday after oil companies refused to give the state-run carrier fuel because of a failure to pay bills.

The flagship carrier cancelled at least four flights in southern India after state-owned oil firms said they would not give the carrier jet fuel because of unpaid debts, a spokesman said. The spokesman, who declined to be named, played down the cancellations, saying it was “not a major problem” and flights had returned to normal.

“This problem is being resolved,” the spokesman told AFP. “We expect to pay for our fuel and also to obtain some assistance from the aviation ministry.” Air India’s fuel woes have further dented the image of the so-called “Maharajah” of the skies, which once monopolised Indian airspace but now has been overtaken by private carriers. The airline, which has been engulfed by financial and labour troubles, was put on a cash-and-carry payment basis late last year by the state oil firms in purchasing jet fuel.

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CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV XIANG XIU VOY NO (1132)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV XIANG XIU VOY NO (1132) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 29.5.2011 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of A.W.P.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 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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CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV KOTA TEGAP VOY NO (579)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV KOTA TEGAP VOY NO (579) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 29.5.2011 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of A.W.P.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 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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A visitor shows interests in a hat during the exhibition "Stephen Jones and the Accent of Fashion" at the Vakko Fashion Centre of Istanbul, Turkey, on 27 May, 2011. The exhibition will guide visitors through Stephen Jones's unique world of millinery.—XINHUA

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV HANSEDUO VOY NO (012)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV HANSEDUO VOY NO (012) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 29.5.2011 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of M.I.P 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 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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The sails of the Sydney Opera House are lit with a 3D-like effect during the launch of Vivid Sydney in Sydney, Australia, on 27 May, 2011.—XINHUA

China's petrochemical sector eyes 10 pct annual growth in next five years

BEIJING, 28 May—China's petrochemical sector plans to have 10 percent annual growth in output value in the five years to 2015, the *Shanghai Securities News* reported on Saturday. Combined output of the sector will total 16 trillion yuan (2.46 trillion US dollars) by 2015, the report said, citing an

industrial development guideline issued by the China Petroleum and Chemical Industry Federation on Friday.

The output value of the sector reached 8.88 trillion yuan in 2010, according to data from the federation. The guideline said China will have more than 15 enterprises in the sector whose sales revenue tops 100 billion yuan through the five years to 2015. Crude oil refining capacity will be kept below 650 million tonnes and output of refined oil will reach around 300 million tonnes, according to the guideline.—Xinhua

Pirate Blackbeard's 'anchor' retrieved off US coast

NEW YORK, 28 May — An anchor from what is said to be the wreck of notorious English pirate Blackbeard's flagship has been retrieved off North Carolina's coast, US archaeologists say. The massive anchor — weighing more than 1,000 kg (2,200lb) — is one of the largest artefacts on what is believed to be the Queen Anne's Revenge ship. The anchor will now be put in a museum.

The flagship is thought to have sunk in 1718, five months after Blackbeard was killed by British sail-

ors. The US archaeologists said they had first planned to lift a bigger anchor but realised it was too well-attached to other items in the ballast pile. They said that divers would continue to work next week and then decide how to proceed to retrieve other artefacts from the ship.

Project manager Mark Wilde-Ramsing said the team hoped to recover all the artefacts by the end of

2013, the *Associated Press* news agency reports. Blackbeard — whose real name is believed to be Edward Teach or Thatch — was a much-feared pirate, who operated off America's eastern coast and around the West Indies.—Internet

The anchor was covered with shells, sand and other sea debris.—INTERNET



Air France Rio crash: Jet plunged in minutes

PARIS, 28 May — The Air France jet which crashed into the Atlantic en route from Rio in 2009 stalled and fell in three and a half minutes, French investigators report. The air accident investigations bureau (BEA) found the crew had struggled with contradictory speed readings just before the plane crashed.

The BEA statement did not look at the causes of the crash but one theory is that the jet's speed probes failed. All 228 people on board were killed in the disaster. The BEA findings were released in an online statement in response to speculation in the media over the findings from the flight recorders, only recovered from the sea this month.

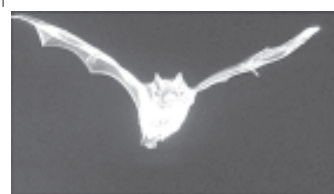
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Human brain's 'bat sight' found

ONTARIO, 28 May—The part of the brain used by people who can "see like a bat" has been identified by researchers in Canada. Some blind people have learned to echolocate by making clicking noises and listening to the returning echoes. A study of two such people, published in *PLoS ONE*, showed a part of the brain usually associated with sight was activated when listening to echoes.

Action for Blind People said further research could improve the way the technique is taught. Bats and dolphins bounce sound waves off their surroundings and by listening to the echoes can "see" the world around them. Some blind humans have also trained themselves to do this, allowing them to explore cities, cycle and play sports.

Researchers looked at two patients who use echolocation every day. EB, aged 43, was blinded at age 13 months. LB, 27, had been blind since age 14. They were recorded echolocating, while microphones were attached to their ears. The recordings were then played while their brain activity was being recorded in an fMRI machine. Increased activity in the calcarine cortex was discovered.—Internet



Bats use sound to hunt.—INTERNET

Cuba to drill oil in Gulf of Mexico

HAVANA, 28 May—Cuba expects to soon start drilling exploratory wells in the Gulf of Mexico and produce four million tons of oil and gas in 2011, a Cuban oil industry official said on Friday. "This year the oil production is surpassing the plan," said engineer Rafael Teneyro Perez, exploration manager at the state-run company Cubapetroleo (CUPET).

He said the island nation is extending its cooperation programmes with foreign partners in the Gulf of Mexico and also on land. Right now, domestic oil production can only meet half of the country's energy demands, with the rest coming from its political ally Venezuela.—Xinhua



\$1 million worth of rare coins and currency scattered on Florida interstate I-95.

Crash spills rare coins onto highway

Police in Florida said valuable coins were spilled onto an interstate when a rare coin dealer's vehicle lost a tire and rolled into the median.

The Florida Highway Patrol said Demetrio Cirillo, 47, of Boca Raton, was driving Thursday with his wife, Dawn Cirillo, 47, on northbound Interstate 95 in Volusia County when the sport-utility vehicle, which was carrying about \$1 million worth of rare coins and currency, had a tire separation, *the Orlando (Fla.) Sentinel* reported Friday. The couple both suffered minor injuries and Dawn Cirillo was taken to a hospital while Demetrio Cirillo initially refused treatment until the spilled coins could be recovered. Cirillo called friends to search the area with metal detectors and law enforcement personnel assisted with the recovery. He said he had been taking the coins to a currency show in Jacksonville. Police said most of the rare coins were recovered.

World's largest Monopoly attempt in Qatar

Organizers of the 2011 Doha Trade Fair in Qatar said this year's event will feature a Guinness World Record attempt for the world's largest Monopoly board. A partner in the fair, q.media events, said the board will be unveiled with the first dice roll scheduled for 4 pm 4 June, the first day of the fair, *Gulf News* reported Thursday.

Guinness World Records said the board must measure more than 1,550 square feet, the record previously set in Germany, and an adjudicator will be on hand to verify the board's measurements and ensure it complies with the British version of the game's rules. Organizers said Monopoly games with two-person teams will be played on the board 5 June to 13 June. Players will be chosen from the Doha Trade Fair Facebook page, they said.

Police hunt for "Goldilocks"

British police appealed for help Friday in tracing a suspected burglar they have dubbed "Goldilocks" because he breaks into houses, eats food and then has a sleep. Essex detectives said they were trying to trace Jesse Dobinson who is suspected of carrying out two burglaries at a house in Wickford, northeast of London, in

February and March. "On both occasions beds in the property were slept in and food eaten before items, including electrical goods, were stolen," police said in a statement. Unlike the fairytale character, Dobinson is also wanted in connection with an assault and a knife-point robbery.

News Album

Bar owners ticketed for mouse races

Authorities in Iowa said the owners of a bar were ticketed for knowingly allowing criminal activity at the facility — gambling on mouse races.

The Des Moines County Sheriff Department said Jan and Scott Beach, owners of the Bucktail Lodge in Danville, were ticketed for knowingly allowing criminal activity at the bar following a 19 May raid, WQAD-TV, Moline, Ill, reported Friday. The department said the bar owners broke the law by allowing illegal gambling on mouse races in the establishment.

Jan Beach was also charged with unlawful alcohol containers and conducting charge sales without a credit card. Investigators said further charges are pending against Scott Beach.

School board probes birthday 'whammies'

An Iowa school board said it is reviewing complaints about a teacher using a padded hockey stick to give birthday "whammies" to students' backsides.

Parents said about 70 people waited Wednesday outside of a closed-door meeting of school board members discussing the birthday practices of Principal Terry Eisenbarth at Washington Elementary School in Mount Vernon, *The Des Moines (Iowa) Register* reported Friday.

"I do not spank my kids at home on their birthdays," said Steve Wernimont, 44, who has three children. "That is not a celebration. It's being subservient to a dominating figure."

'Spider-Man' soundtrack on its way

SANTA MONICA, 28 May—Music from the much-talked about Broadway show "Spider-Man: Turn Off the Dark" is set for release on CD next month, Interscope Records said.

The album, due out 14 June, will feature 14 songs co-written by U2's Bono and The Edge for the stage production.

The CD is produced by Steve Lillywhite and the songs are performed by the cast — including Reeve Carney in the role of Peter Parker/Spider-Man, Jennifer Damiano in the role of Mary Jane, TV Carpio as Arachne and Patrick Page as the Green Goblin — with contributions from Bono and The Edge and music performed by the production's 20-member orchestra, the record label said Thursday.

The release date coincides with the official opening night of the Broadway show.



The album, due out 14 June, will feature 14 songs co-written by U2's Bono (pictured) and The Edge. INTERNET

The \$70 million musical resumed performances this month after closing for three weeks so its creative team could work out technical bugs and story issues.

Its official opening night was postponed numerous times after it began previews last fall at Manhattan's Foxwoods Theatre.—*Internet*

'Taxi,' 'Grease' star Jeff Conaway dies at 60

LOS ANGELES, 28 May—Jeff Conaway, who starred in the sitcom "Taxi," played swaggering Kenickie in the movie musical "Grease" and publicly battled drug and alcohol addiction on "Celebrity Rehab," died Friday. He was 60.

The actor was taken off life support Thursday and died Friday morning at Encino Tarzana Medical Centre, according to one of his managers, Kathryn Boole.

"It's sad that people remember his struggle with drugs. ... He has touched so many people," she said, calling Conaway a kind and intelligent man who was well read and "always so interesting to talk to. We respected him as an artist and loved him as a friend."

"He was trying so hard to get clean and sober," Boole added. "If it hadn't been for his back pain, I think he would have been able to do it."

Family members, including Conaway's sisters, nieces and nephews, and his minister, were with him when he died, Boole said.—*Internet*

Lisa Ono to headline live music festival

BEIJING, 28 May—The two-day Love Music Festival will take place on 5 June and 6 June at the south plaza grassland of the National Olympic Sports Centre.

A strong lineup will gather at the music festival, including Eels, Cowboy Junkies, Lisa Ono, Wu Bai, Zhang Yadong and Lao Lang. This will make it a 'must' for music fans.

American rock band Eels are from the 1990s and still going strong. Their work "My Beloved Monster" was featured on the soundtrack for the Dreamworks movie Shrek. This marks their first appearance at a Chinese music festival. Japanese singer Lisa Ono, the acclaimed "queen of bossa nova" will bring a soothing dose of love and energy to the music concert.

It is reported that Hong Kong male singer Anthony Wong Yiu-Ming will appear at the festival's finale with his Cantonese hits.—*Xinhua*



Japanese singer Lisa Ono.—INTERNET



Actors Jeff Conaway (L) and Didi Conn attend the celebration of the DVD release of "Grease Rockin' Rydell Edition" at the Santa Monica Pier in 2006 in Santa Monica, California.—INTERNET

Messi leads Barcelona to Champions League title

LONDON, 29 May—Lionel Messi scored one goal and created another on Saturday to lead Barcelona to a 3-1 win over Manchester United and a third Champions League title in six years.

Barcelona dominated possession at Wembley with trademark passing but needed the Argentina striker to conjure a 54th-minute solo strike from the edge of the area to take the lead for the second time.

Messi followed his 53rd goal of a remarkable season with a feint and run that eventually led to David Villa receiving possession on the edge of the area, from where he curled a shot into the top corner.

Although Wayne Rooney equalized Pedro Rodriguez's opener before halftime, Barcelona's victory was as comprehensive as its 2-0 win over United in the final two years ago.—*Internet*



Barcelona win fourth European championship

LONDON, 29 May—Barcelona, inspired by the peerless Lionel Messi, delivered a soccer masterclass to overwhelm Manchester United 3-1 in the Champions League final and lift the European Cup for the fourth time this morning.

Messi was at his inspirational best all night at Wembley as the champions of Spain left the champions of England looking like desperate also-rans in the face of their relentless intricate passing and deadly movement.

United somehow reached halftime level at 1-1 after Wayne Rooney

cancelled out Pedro's opening goal but Barcelona continued their dominance after the break. A superb Messi goal and a precise 18-metre curler by David Villa, underlined the Spanish side's dominance

over the team they also beat in the 2009 final. After a short-lived United flurry at the start, Barca were soon in control as they probed constantly in and around the United box.

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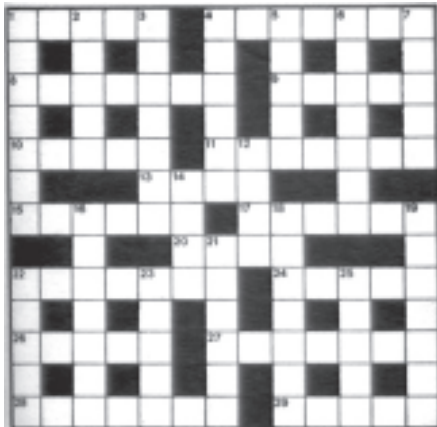
Barcelona players pile on David Villa after his goal gave them a 3-1 lead over Manchester United and secured their fourth European title.



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SPORTS

CROSSWORDS PUZZLE



ACROSS

- 1 Very fat
- 4 Seer
- 8 Followers
- 9 Carry out
- 10 Wide awake
- 11 Large hat
- 13 Six balls
- 15 Wish for
- 17 Part of Scotland
- 20 Yawn
- 22 Hardy
- 24 Demand
- 26 Small bay
- 27 Miracle centre
- 28 Colonist
- 29 Ring

DOWN

- 1 Wreath
- 2 Fantastic
- 3 Legislator
- 4 Make happy
- 5 Stout
- 6 Gossip
- 7 Giant
- 12 Horse vehicle
- 14 Bright star
- 16 Brilliant red
- 18 Tell
- 19 Ravenous appetite
- 21 Fisherman
- 22 Humorous plays
- 23 Aggregate
- 25 Tree

Lotus boss Fernandes eyes Norwich, West Ham

NORWICH, 28 May—Malaysian aviation tycoon Tony Fernandes revealed on Friday he could be interested in investing in promoted English Premier League side Norwich after considering doing so last year. Team Lotus principal Fernandes decided against putting money into the Canaries while they were in League One, preferring to focus on his Norfolk-based Formula One outfit.

The 47-year-old Air Asia founder told the Norwich Advertiser: "We talked, we talked definitely and there was a whole emotional appeal of everything Norfolk and green and yellow, and it made sense. "And there's no reason why we can't work together in the future and do things together." Norwich, who recorded debts of £23 million (\$37.7 million) last year, will return to the Premier League next season after a six year absence.—*Internet*



Team Lotus principal and AirAsia founder Tony Fernandes poses with Air Asia grid girls at the Malaysian Grand Prix at Sepang last month.

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Denmark return to top four in Sudirman Cup

QINGDAO, 28 May—Denmark returned to the top four of Sudirman Cup after six years' absence by beating Chinese Taipei 3-1 in the quarterfinals of the world mixed team badminton championship here on Friday. Denmark stayed among the top four for nine editions since the Sudirman Cup was launched in 1989, but was knocked out in the last two editions.

World No 3 Joachim Fischer Nielsen/Christinna Pedersen put Denmark ahead by sailing past Wen Hsing Cheng/Hung Ling

Chen 21-17, 21-13 in the opening mixed doubles. It seemed that Denmark would easily get a semifinal berth when Peter Gade made it 2-0 by overcoming Hsuan Yi Hsueh 20-22, 21-15, 21-10.

However, the tenacious Chinese Taipei didn't give up and began their fightback in men's doubles under thunderous cheer from the crowds. Facing world No. 1 Carsten Mogensen/Mathias Boe, Sheng Mu Lee/Chieh Min Fang rallied to stun their rivals 22-20, 21-23, 21-18.

Xinhua



Roger Federer of Switzerland returns against Janko Tipsarevic of Serbia in his third round match of the French Open tennis tournament at Roland Garros stadium in Paris, on 27 May, 2011. Federer cruised past Serbia's Janko Tipsarevic 6-1, 6-4, 6-3 to reach the French Open last 16 as his low-key Roland Garros campaign continued.—*INTERNET*

Isabelle Beisiegel qualifies for Canadian Tour

PARKSVILLE, 28 May—Isabelle Beisiegel became the first female player to earn a playing card on a men's professional golf tour, tying for ninth place on Friday in the Canadian Tour's Spring Qualifying School to take one of the last two nonexempt spots. Beisiegel, a 32-year-old Montreal native who played at the University of Oklahoma, had a 4-under 68 in the third round, then closed with a 75 in rainy conditions to finish at 8-over 296 at Morningstar Golf Club.

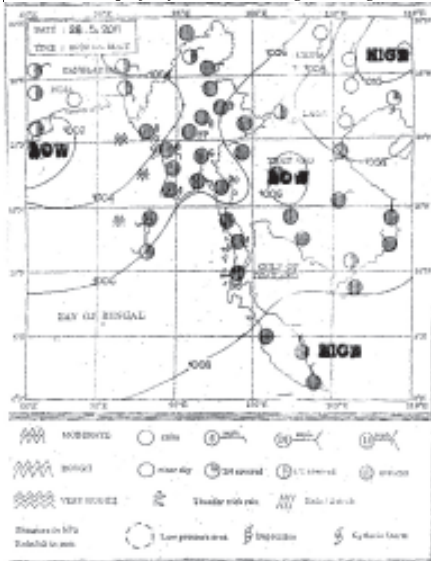
"I still can't believe it. It's a little overwhelming," Beisiegel said. "I went into today just trying not to get ahead of myself. I focused on thinking about where I was and not what could happen. I was assured in the fact that no matter what happened it was going to be OK."

Internet

WEATHER

Saturday, 28th May, 2011

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



Summary of observations recorded at 09:30hr. M.S.T.

During the past 24 hours, Rain or thundershowers have been widespread in Taninthayi Region, Kayah, Kayin and Mon States and fairly widespread in Mandalay, Bago and Ayeyawady Regions and scattered in the remaining Regions and States with isolated heavy falls in Kayah and Mon States. Day temperatures were (6°C) above May average temperatures in Upper Sagaing, (3°C) to (4°C) above May average temperatures in Magway, Ayeyawady Regions and Kachin State, (3°C) to (4°C) below May average temperatures Lower Sagaing Region, Rakhine, Kayah and Mon States and about May average temperatures in the remaining Regions and States. The significant day temperature was Chauk (40°C). The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Bilin (4.96) inches, Loikaw (2.95) inches, Kyeikkhame (2.82) inches, Sittway and Phyarpon (2.56) inches each and Mindat (2.05) inches.

Nay Pyi Taw

Maximum temperature on 27-5-2011 was 99°F. Minimum temperature on 28-5-2011 was 77°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 28-5-2011 was (79%). Rainfall on 28-5-2011 was (Nil).

Nay Pyi Taw (Airport)

Maximum temperature on 27-5-2011 was 93°F. Minimum temperature on 28-5-2011 was 75°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 28-5-2011 was (92%). Rainfall on 28-5-2011 was (0.20) inch.

Rainfall on 28-5-2011 was (Nil) at Nay Pyi Taw and

Yangon (Kaba-Aye) and (0.07) inch at Mandalay. Total rainfall since 1-1-2011 was (11.93) inches at Nay Pyi Taw, (21.81) inches at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) and (10.70) inches at Mandalay. Maximum wind speed at Nay Pyi Taw was (7) mph from South at (12:30) hours MST on 28-5-2011.

Bay Inference: Weather is partly cloudy to cloudy in the North Bay and monsoon is moderate to strong in the Andaman Sea and elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until evening of the 29th May 2011: Rain or thundershowers will be scattered in the Upper Sagaing and Magway Regions, Kachin and Shan States, fairly widespread to widespread in the remaining Regions and States with likelihood of isolated heavy falls in Rakhine State. Degree of certainty is (80%).

State of the Sea: Squalls with moderate to rough seas are likely at times off and along Myanmar Coast. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach (35) to (40) mph.

Outlook for subsequent two days: Continuations of thundery conditions in the Central Myanmar Areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 29th May 2011: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 29th May 2011: One or two rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 29th May 2011: One or two rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Maradona insists doping allegations

BUENOS AIRES, 28 May—Argentine legend Diego Maradona on Friday repeated doping allegations against Argentine Football Federation president Julio Grondona, insisting the latter let players to take a banned substance ahead of a 1994 World Cup playoff with Australia. "Grondona told us a week beforehand we could take the substance we wanted as there was to be no anti-doping control," 1986 World Cup winner Maradona told Argentine radio station Metro.

Grondona said earlier this week that doping controls were deliberately overlooked so as to prevent Maradona, who served a 15-month suspension in 1991 for taking cocaine, to fail a test.

Former Australian football officials have denied being party to any deal to prevent drug testing before the play-off, which saw Argentina go through



Argentine legend Diego Maradona. INTERNET

to the 1994 finals over two legs.

Former Argentina defender Jorge Borelli and former midfielder Hugo Perez have denied Maradona's claim—but the latter accused them of only "playing Grondona's game." Maradona said: "I don't know who took what. The only thing I know is that I went walking around the whole of Australia with (former wife) Claudia until eight o'clock in the morning and that various others couldn't get to sleep, I don't know why."—*Internet*

MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL Programme Schedule (29-5-2011) (Sunday)

Transmissions	Times
Local	(09:00am-11:00am)MST
Oversea Transmission	(29-5-11 09:30 am ~ 30-5-11 09:30 am) MST

Local Transmission

- * Opening
- * News
- * Sittway, Evergreen Seaside Town
- * News
- * How to choose where to eat
- * News
- * Record Album "Today Likes Fresh"
- * News
- * MI People's Celebrities "A Kyi Taw"
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- * Young Champions of this Generation
- * News
- * Ngapali, Unique Spot To Relax
- * News
- * Myanmar Sword Martial Art
- * Music Gallery
- * News
- * Surprising Myanmar (Longyi)
- * News
- * History of Wishful filling Malamu Pagoda
- * Myanmar Movie "He sows when he reaps"



Sunday, 29 May

View on today

- 7:00 am
1. Paritta By Venerable Mingun Sayadaw
- 7:15 am
2. Dhamma Puja Song
- 7:25 am
3. To Be Healthy Exercise

- 7:30 am
4. Morning News
- 7:40 am
5. Nice & Sweet Song
- 8:00 am
6. Health Programme
- 8:10 am
7. (38) Phyar Mingalars
- 8:25 am
8. Musical Programme
- 8:40 am
9. International News
- 8:45 am
10. Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions
- 11:00 am
1. Martial Song
- 11:10 am
2. Musical Programme

- 11:20 am
3. Song Of National Races
- 11:30 am
4. Round Up Of The Week's International News
- 11:40 am
5. TV Drama Series
- 12:40 pm
6. Golf Magazine (TV)
- 1:00 pm
7. Myanmar Video Feature
- 3:45 pm
1. Myanmar National League MNL Grand Royal Cup (2011) (Live) (Southern Myanmar FC & KBZ FC)

- 5:45 pm
2. Musical Programme
- 6:00 pm
3. Evening News
- 6:15 pm
4. Weather Report
- 6:20 pm
5. Cartoon Series
- 6:40 pm
6. Tamyethnar Takwetsar
- 7:00 pm
7. TV Drama Series
- 8:00 pm
8. News
9. International News
10. Weather Report
11. Cartoon Series
12. TV Drama Series

- ★ Only with stability and peace will the nation develop
- ★ Only with stability and peace will democratization process be successful

- ★ Anarchy begets anarchy, not democracy
- ★ Riots beget riots, not democracy
- ★ Democracy can be introduced only through constitution

People's Desire

- We favour peace and stability
- We favour development
- We oppose unrest and violence
- Wipe out those inciting unrest and violence

- ★ VOA, BBC-sowing hatred among the people
- ★ RFA, DVB-generating public outrage
- ★ Do not allow ourselves to be swayed by killer broadcasts designed to cause troubles

President U Thein Sein arrives back from PRC after paying a State visit

NAY PYI TAW, 28 May— U Thein Sein, President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, at 4:30 pm today arrived back here by special flight of

Myanmar Airways International from the People's Republic of China, after paying a State visit at the invitation of Chinese President Mr Hu Jintao.



The delegation members led by President U Thein Sein were welcomed back by Vice-President Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo, Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services General Min Aung Hlaing, Union Ministers, Deputy Ministers, departmental heads, Charge d' Affairs at Mr Wang Zong Ying of Chinese Embassy in Myanmar and officials concerned.

Members of delegation — Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Commander-in-Chief (Army) Lt-Gen Soe Win, Union Minister for Home Affairs Lt-Gen Ko Ko, Union Minister for Foreign Affairs U Wunna Maung Lwin, Union Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Myint Hlaing, Union Minister for Finance and Revenue U Hla Tun, Union Minister for National Planning and Economic Development and for Livestock and Fisheries U Tin Naing Thein, Union Minister for Commerce U Win Myint, Union Minister for Mines U Thein Htaik, Union Minister for Transport U Nyan Tun Aung, Union Minister for Rail Transportation U Aung Min, Union Minister for Energy U Than Htay, Union Minister for Electric Power No (1) U Zaw Min, deputy ministers and high-ranking departmental officials — also arrived back here on the same flight.

Vice-President Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo and Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services General Min Aung Hlaing welcome back President U Thein Sein at Nay Pyi Taw Airport.—MNA

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