

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 receives Minister of External Affairs of the Republic of India

NAY PYI TAW, 21 Jan — 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 received Minister of External Affairs of the Republic of India Mr Shri Pranab Mukherjee and party at Bayintnaung Yeiktha of the Ministry of Defence here this morning.

Also present on the occasion were member of the State Peace and Development Council General Thura Shwe Mann, Prime Minister General Soe Win, Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Thein Sein, Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyan Win, Director-General of the State Peace and Development Council Office Col Kyaw Kyaw Win and Director-General of Protocol Department U Kyaw Kyaw.

Minister of External Affairs of the Republic of India was accompanied by Ambassador of India Mr Bhaskar Kumar Mitra.—MNA

Vice-Senior General Maung Aye shakes hands with Mr Shri Pranab Mukherjee, Minister of External Affairs of the Republic of India, at Bayintnaung Yeiktha of Ministry of Defence.

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

PERSPECTIVES

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Making continued efforts for further development of border areas

Border areas in the country lagged behind in development as there was once no peace and tranquillity and poor transport. Nowadays, the government has given priority to the development of border areas and national races for national solidarity.

The government is building a great deal of transport, education, health, agricultural and economic infrastructures. Over 180,000 students of border areas are studying at schools built for enhancing of their skills.

Youth development training schools were opened in the border areas and Nationalities Youth Resource Development Degree Colleges, technical training schools for youths in border areas and women's domestic science training schools were also opened. As a result of this, learning opportunities are now available for national race youths.

Moreover, hospitals, dispensaries, rural health care centres and branches were opened in border areas and 200-bed specialist hospitals in every special development region can provide health care services for the people in those regions. Achievements have also been made in agriculture, economic and public relations sectors.

The government has spent over K 97,699 million on various sectors of border areas development project since 1989. Now there is peace and tranquillity and progress in border areas. It is necessary for local work committees, ministries concerned, work sub-committees and local people to make continued efforts for further development of those regions.



Under the Patronage of Daw Shan Kyu, her daughter Ma Aye Pyay of Mayangon Township donates K 100,000 to Hninzigon Home for the Aged through Joint-Treasurer U Maung Maung Gyi.— H

Peoples' 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

Agreement on building Myaungdaga sub-power station inked

NAY PYI TAW, 21 Jan— Myanmar Electric Power Enterprise and IGE Pte Ltd signed an agreement to import construction materials for building Myaungdaga sub-power station at the minister's office here on 18 January.

Minister for Electric Power No 2 Maj-Gen Khin Maung Myint delivered an address. Next, General Manager of IGE Pte Ltd spoke words of thanks.

Director-General

of Myanmar Electric Power Enterprise Dr San Oo and General Manager of IGE Pte Ltd signed the agreement.

Also present at the signing ceremony were Director-General of Electric Power Department Dr Thein Tun, Director-General of Myanmar Electric Power Enterprise Dr San Oo, Managing Director of Electric Power Supply Enterprise U Tin Aung and officials concerned.

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Book titled 'Bawa-takhu-Simanhmu' by Chit Naing (Psychology) published

YANGON, 19 Jan — A book of Chit Naing (Psychology) has been published under the title of 'Bawa-takhu-Simanhmu'. The writer translated the book titled 'Managing Oneself-Footprints to Success' published in Singapore into Myanmar Language.

The book has been published by Armanthit bookstall and the price of the book is K 1,800.— MNA

Digital vision cameras market festival being held at Blazon Department Store.

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Industry-1 Minister inspects Brick Factory

NAY PYI TAW, 21 Jan— Minister for Industry-1 U Aung Thuang together with officials inspected the project of Brick Factory of Myanmar Ceramic Industries here Mignon Village, Pinyinmana today.

The officials reported on progress in preparing of earth work, the places chosen for the construction of the main building and other related buildings. The minister fulfilled the requirements.

During his tour, the minister visited Mignon Brick Factory (branch) and inspected the brick samples and the production process.— MNA

Digital vision camera sale launched at Blazon

YANGON, 20 Jan — The sale of digital vision cameras was held at Blazon Department Store on U Wisara Road, here, this afternoon.

Chairman of Myanmar Photographic Society U Aye Chit and Executive Director Daw Myo Ohnma Kyaw of Blazon Department Store opened the sale.

Digital camera branded Canon, Panasonic and Sony are available at Blazon Department Store up to 28 January from 9:30 am to 7 pm daily, with the best service and warranty cards.

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“Storm worm” hits computers around the world

HELSINKI, 21 Jan — Computer virus writers started to use raging European storms on Friday to attack thousands of computers in an unusual real-time assault, head of research at Finnish data security firm F-Secure (FSC1V.HE) told Reuters.

The virus, which the company named “Storm Worm” is sent to hundreds of thousands of email addresses globally, with the e-mail's subject line saying “230 dead as storm batters Europe”.

The attached file contains the so-called malware

that can infiltrate computer systems.

“What makes this exceptional is the timely nature of the attack,” Mikko Hypponen, head of research at F-Secure said. Hypponen said thousands of computers around the world, most in private use, had been affected.

He said most users would not notice the malware, or trojan, which creates a back door to the computer that can be exploited later to steal data or to use the computer to post spam.

MNA/Reuters

Iran to complain to UN over arrests in Iraq

TEHERAN, 20 Jan — Iran said on Friday it would soon lodge a complaint with the UN Security Council about the arrest by US troops of five Iranians, who Washington says were backing militants in Iraq but who Teheran says are diplomats.

US soldiers seized the men in a raid on an Iranian Government office in the northern Iraqi city of Arbil on 11 January, hours after US President George W Bush pledged to crack down on the “flow of support” from Iran to Iraqi militants.

Washington regularly accuses Iran of encouraging violence in Iraq, a charge Teheran dismisses saying the US occupiers are destabilizing the country. Iran has demanded the immediate release of the Iranians.

“Soon we will complain to the Security Council and the United Nations for this adventurism by America,” Foreign Minister Manouchehr Mottaki said on state television.

He did not say when Iran would take such a step.

“Instead of securing Iraq, America is following heathen aims,” he said, adding that the United States wanted “to make regional countries face off with Iran”.

MNA/Reuters

Singapore’s Minister Mentor Lee Kuan Yew (L) talks with Vietnam’s southern Binh Duong province’s Chairman Nguyen Hoang Son (R) at the province’s office in Thu Dau Mot town, 40 km (25 miles) north of southern commercial hub Ho Chi Minh city, on 20 Jan, 2007. The man in the centre is an unidentified translator.

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A participant, dressed as a flower, displays her outfit during Florathon, the pre-launch event of the Malaysia Flora Fest, in downtown Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, on 20 Jan, 2007. The event, held in conjunction with Visit Malaysia Year 2007, involved nearly 1,000 participants wearing floral-themed costumes. —INTERNET

PM says US wants base in Czech Republic

PRAGUE, 21 Jan —The United States has asked the Czech Republic to host a radar base that would be part of a global missile defence system, the prime minister announced Saturday, drawing a warning from Russia of retaliatory actions.

US officials contend the system could defend Europe against intercontinental missiles fired by states such as Iran and North Korea. But the Kremlin warned that the military balance in Europe could be at stake and said the development risked a new arms race. Independent defence experts have said the ground-based missile defence system is still years from being able to protect against long-range missile attacks.

Washington declined comment on Prime Minister Mirek Topolánek’s statement. But the US has been negotiating with Poland and the Czech Republic, both former communist states

now in NATO, as it explores setting up missile defence sites in Eastern Europe.

The US has missile interceptor bases in Alaska and California. It activated a powerful X-band radar site in northern Japan as

part of the system last September, but so far has no anti-missile weapons based outside US territory.

The US request that the Czech Republic host only an X-band radar facility could indicate Washington is considering putting

launchers for anti-missile missiles in Poland.

Czech authorities refused to comment on Poland’s possible role. Topolánek said only that he would discuss the issue with his Polish counterpart, Jaroslaw Kaczynski.—Internet

US helicopter crash kills 13

BAGHDAD, 20 Jan—A US helicopter crashed north-east of Baghdad today, killing all 13 people on board, the US military said.

The military did not give a cause for the crash, saying only that the incident was under investigation. But the brief statement lacked the customary comment that the aircraft was not shot down, indicating it may have come under fire by insurgents.

The helicopter was carrying 13 passengers and crew members and all were killed, it said.

No further details were released, including the exact location of the crash.

The violent Diyala province sits north-east of Baghdad, and US and Iraqi forces have been battling Sunni insurgents and Shiite militia forces

around its main city of Baquba for months.

Separately, the military also announced the deaths of two American soldiers and a Marine.

The crash highlights a major danger in Iraq as the military relies heavily on air travel to transport troops and ferry officials to avoid the dangers of roadside

bombs.

One soldier was killed today in a roadside bombing in northern Baghdad. Another was killed yesterday by a roadside bomb in the north-west province of Ninevah, while a Marine was killed yesterday in fighting in Anbar, the military said.—Internet

Former US lawmaker sentenced to 30 months in prison

WASHINGTON, 20 Jan — Former Republican Representative Bob Ney of Ohio was sentenced on Friday to 2 - 1/2 years in prison for his role in the Jack Abramoff political corruption scandal that helped Democrats win control of the US Congress.

Standing before the judge, a sorrowful Ney

apologized to his family, friends and constituents, and said he was battling “the demons of addiction that are within me”.

The former US lawmaker had pleaded guilty to illegally accepting trips, meals, drinks, tickets to concerts and sporting events and other items worth tens of

thousands of dollars in return for official acts performed for the onetime lobbyist Abramoff and his clients.

He abandoned his reelection race in August because of questions about his links to Abramoff, and is the only lawmaker convicted and sentenced in the scandal.

MNA/Reuters

A US military Apache helicopter flies above smoke rising from Baghdad’s notorious Haifa Street area, recently.

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China overtakes Germany as world's biggest electrical producer

BERLIN, 19 Jan — China has overtaken Germany as the world's biggest producer of electrical products, said a report released by one of the key German research institutes on Wednesday.

Preliminary data showed that China's exports in electrical products were valued at 78 billion US dollars,

edging aside Germany with 64 billion dollars in export sales, said a report by the Cologne-based Federal Agency of Foreign Economy (BFAI) on Wednesday. The United States ranks the third, it said. As China's best sellers in the sector remain electrical cells and power tools, the Chinese were seeking to expand

sales in electrical equipment for medical purposes, said the report.

The sales of home appliances are also very impressive, it said. In 2005, the sales of home appliances amounted to 13 billion dollars with most of exports to Japan, the United States, and Europe, according to the report. — MNA/Xinhua

World's oldest woman dies in Canada

TORONTO, 20 Jan — Julie Winfred Bertrand, the world's oldest woman, died early on Thursday at the age of 115 in a Montreal nursing home, *CanWest News Service* reported.

Bertrand, who was born on 16 September, 1891, in the Quebec town of Coaticook, passed away in her sleep, *CanWest* reported, citing Bertrand's 73-year-old nephew, Andre.

Last month, Bertrand was proclaimed the world's oldest living woman and its second oldest person by *Guinness World Records* after the death of Tennessee woman Elizabeth Bolden, who was born on 15 August, 1890.

Bertrand's elevation to the title garnered her publicity recently, with a British film crew this week becoming the latest to ask for an interview with her for a documentary on "extreme agers", *CanWest*

said.

Although the crew never received an answer, Andre Bertrand said his aunt never shied away from turning down such requests and did so dozens of times when approached by reporters, researchers and others, *CanWest* reported.

Bertrand worked as a buyer for a department store

in Coaticook, a town close to the US border, it reported.

CanWest said a private family service will be held at the nursing home where Bertrand had been living for the past 35 years, adding that she purchased a burial plot at the Catholic cemetery in Coaticook years ago.

MNA/Reuters



James Kingsford-Smith (L) and Darcy Grant perform a balancing routine during a media call for "The Space Between by Circa Australia" at a theatre in Parramatta, western Sydney as part of the three-week-long Sydney Festival on 16 Jan, 2007. — INTERNET

Twelve-year-old Chinese boy travels 1,000-km on top of train

BEIJING, 19 Jan — A 12-year-old Chinese boy travelled 1,167 kilometres on top of a train after running away from home.

The boy was discovered at Jinan Railway Station in the eastern Shandong Province after an 18-hour journey, *Qilu Evening News* reported.

The boy was shivering with cold when found. Police immediately took him to their office to warm up.

The boy, identified as Wang, left home in

Hangzhou, east China's Zhejiang Province, in a fit of pique after a quarrel with his family.

With no money, he sneaked into the railway station and climbed on to the top of a train heading to the northeastern city of

Qiqihar.

Staff at the Jinan Railway Station said the train stopped at the station at 9:23 am. One staff member noticed the boy just as the train was about to depart at 9:30 am.

The police had already

returned the boy to his home, the newspaper said. Temperatures in Jinan have remained below zero in recent days. The distance from Hangzhou to Qiqihar is 2,896 kilometres, a 41-hour train journey.

MNA/Xinhua

US soldier killed in bomb attack in Iraq

BAGHDAD, 20 Jan — One US soldier was killed and three others were wounded when a roadside bomb hit their patrol in Baghdad, the US military said on Friday.

The attack took place on Thursday while a MultiNational Division — Baghdad patrol was conducting a convoy escort mission in the area, the military said in a statement.

About 3,030 US soldiers have been killed in Iraq since the US-led invasion in March 2003, according to media count based on Pentagon figures.

MNA/Xinhua

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Veterinarians perform surgery on a five-year-old white whale at Qingdao Polar Ocean World in Qingdao, in east China's Shandong Province, on 19 Jan, 2007. The white whale was found suffering from infected lumps on her body and ulcerations on her tail for a couple of days, local media reported. — INTERNET

US admits searched Sudan embassy compound in Iraq

BAGHDAD, 19 Jan — US forces searched part of the Sudanese embassy compound in Baghdad last week

but only after requesting access from guards, the US military said after Sudan complained its embassy had been raided by US troops. Sudan on Wednesday summoned the senior US diplomat in Khartoum, saying US troops had violated diplomatic conventions in the 13 January incident.

On Wednesday US military spokesman Christopher Garver said he "had no record" of any raid on the embassy. But a US statement on Thursday said

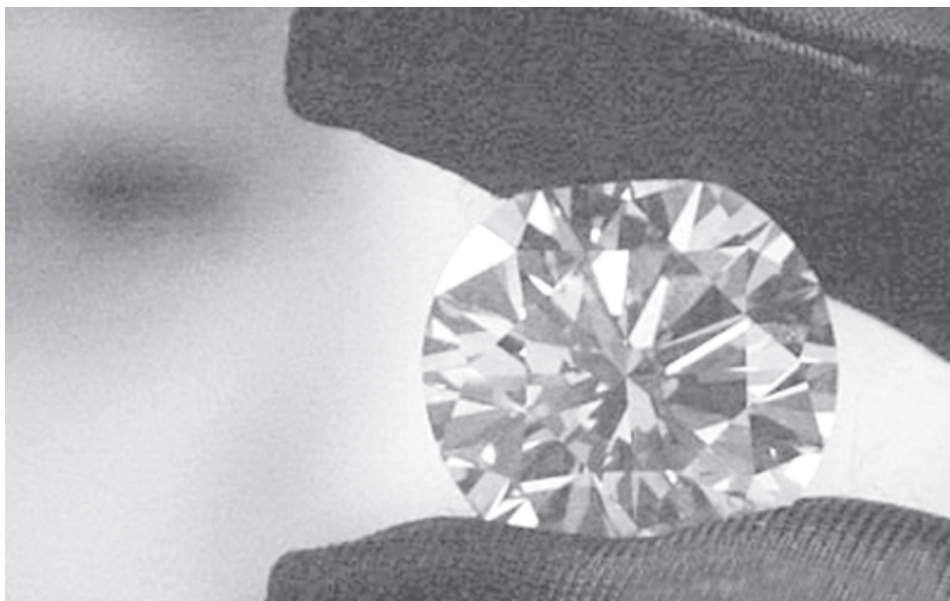
that information was given "in error". "Coalition Forces soldiers entered the Sudanese Embassy grounds in Baghdad on 13 January" the statement said. "The soldiers entered the grounds after requesting entry to embassy guards."

"While in the compound, the soldiers encountered two locked doors for which the guards did not have keys. Following consultation with the guards, the doors were forced open.

MNA/Reuters



Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie arrive at the 64th annual Golden Globe Awards in Beverly Hills on 15 Jan, 2007. — INTERNET



A "Northern Lights" diamond, which weighs 26.62 carats and is priced 41.2 million yuan, was displayed at Shilu International Shopping Centre, Suzhou on 18 Jan, 2007. Dozens of technicians spent over two months cutting the diamond, which came from a North Pole mining area. —XINHUA

FM says Romania wants energy cooperation with Russia

BUCHAREST, 20 Jan— Romanian Foreign Minister Mihai-Razvan Ungureanu said on Thursday that Romania is in favour of a dynamic energy cooperation with Russia based on pragmatism and transparency. "Energy is obviously a component of the bilateral dialogue. It is an acute matter in which Russia plays a key-role for Europe," Ungureanu said in an interview with the national *Rompres* news agency.

The minister said that compared with other European countries, Romania is less dependent on energy imports. But a Romanian-Russian cooperation in the field of energy is possible, he noted.

"In 2006, on the occasion of the visit of Gazprom vice-president Aleksandr Medvedev to Romania, long-term contracts were signed with Romgaz, Transgaz and

Conef Romanian power companies, which means we can do business based on realism and pragmatism," Ungureanu explained.

Romania, as an EU member, supports the drawing up of a sustainable European joint strategy in the field of energy, to find a unitary approach for European countries in their cooperation with all partners, including Russia, he said. —MNA/Xinhua

Chinese man finds cure for tumour

NANCHANG, 20 Jan— A sixty-year-old man in east China's Jiangxi Province claims that he has gradually recovered from liposarcoma—malignant tumours found in the tissue of fat cells—and stomach ulcers after eating sand for 18 years.

Sheng Shoudong, a cleaner at a food market in Shaxi Town, Shangrao City, began to eat about four spoonfuls of sand a day from 1988 after he read a newspaper article in a local newspaper about a man who had recovered from cancer after eating sand.

"I suffered from the pain of the sarcomas and ulcer, and was forced to give up my job. I badly needed a drastic remedy," said Sheng said recently on "Approaching Science", a programme at Channel 10 of China Central Television.

"I went down to the river and gathered up a bucket of sand. I washed it with water from the nearby well and poured it

into a breakfast bowl.

"I ate a spoonful of the sand, washed it down with water and then chewed through another. I actually really enjoyed the taste," he said.

Two years later, tests showed that Sheng's tumours had shrunk and he felt well enough to resume his work as a cleaner. —MNA/Xinhua

US soldier killed in roadside bomb attack in Baghdad

BAGHDAD, 21 Jan — A US soldier was killed and another wounded when a roadside bomb went off near a US patrol in the Iraqi capital on Saturday, the US military said.

The attack took place in the northern section of the Iraqi capital, the military said in a statement.

"The unit was conducting a presence patrol to limit and control violence in the area when the roadside bomb detonated, the statement added. —MNA/Xinhua



A visitor looks at an ancient mask during an exhibition of Sanxingdui relics in Singapore, on 16 Jan, 2007. —XINHUA

Commuters face travel chaos

LONDON, 20 Jan— Rail passengers faced a chaotic journey home on Thursday after severe gales forced the cancellation of hundreds of trains and the closure of mainline stations, the rail operator said.

Network Rail said heavy winds and falling trees had caused "severe disruption", with 1,000 incidents of debris on lines.

London Bridge Station

was closed after two roof panels were ripped off and sent crashing down onto the main concourse.

No trains were leaving London's Kings Cross, Liverpool Street and Euston stations.

"Our main priority is

safety," a Network Rail spokeswoman said. "The situation has got more severe throughout the day."

Speed limits were enforced across the network to allow drivers time to react to obstructions on the lines.

MNA/Xinhua

Cruise ship freed from sandbank off Argentina

BUENOS AIRES, 20 Jan— A cruise ship carrying 1,600 mainly Brazilian tourists was stuck on a sandbank off Buenos Aires Port for nearly 20 hours before tugboats helped free it on Thursday, a port official said.

Pullmantur Cruises' *Sky Wonder* ship got stuck several miles (kilometres) from the port along the vast River Plate, which separates Argentina and neighbouring Uruguay.

Strong winds apparently caused problems for the luxury liner after it set sail from Buenos Aires late on Wednesday

bound for the Uruguayan Atlantic resort of Punta del Este.

The port official, who asked not to be identified, said the ship had been freed at 3:30 pm local time (1830 GMT) from the sandbank after hours of attempts involving tugboats.

A local television station flew a helicopter over the stranded vessel and dozens of vacationers could be seen laughing and waving at the cameras as they sunbathed on deck.

MNA/Xinhua

The 24th Winter Universiade starts in Turin, Italy, on 17 Jan, 2007. Turin, the city which hosted one of the best Winter Olympic Games in 2006, welcomed back the winter sports as the 23rd Winter Universiade opened here on Thursday.

XINHUA

Three die as storm hits Poland

WARSAW, 20 Jan — Three people were killed in Poland by a storm which uprooted trees and tore down electricity lines after leaving a trail of damage across northern Europe. In mountains in the south of the country the wind

exceeded 200 kilowatt-per-hour (124 mph) and some border crossings were closed, TVN24 television reported on Friday.

A lorry driver was killed by a falling tree and one man died when a crane he was operating collapsed, the

station said. Another person died when the roof of his house was torn off. In Szczecin on the western Baltic coast a hotel was evacuated after an uprooted tree fell on a gas tank. The wind is expected to ease as the day progresses.

MNA/Reuters





Vehicles move amidst heavy fog in southwestern China's Chongqing Municipality, on 19 Jan, 2007. —INTERNET

India, China agree to continue border talks

NEW DELHI, 19 Jan — India and China on Thursday agreed to continue discussions aimed at resolving a border row at the centre of lingering mistrust between the two Asian giants at the end of two-day talks in the Indian capital.

This was the ninth round of talks between special envoys of the two neighbours which India's Foreign Ministry said were conducted in a frank and positive atmosphere.

"The two special representatives continued their discussions on

a framework for the boundary settlement on the basis of the Agreement on Political Parametres and Guiding Principles," said an Indian Foreign Ministry statement.

"The talks were held in an open, friendly, cooperative and con-

structive atmosphere," it added.

The Asian powers, who fought a brief war in 1962, have made little progress in overcoming deep differences over their 3,500-kilometre (2,200-mile) frontier, despite several rounds of talks over the past decade.

India disputes Chinese rule over 38,000 square kilometres (15,000 square miles) of barren, icy and uninhabited land on the Tibetan plateau, seized by China in 1962.—MNA/Reuters

Severe wind storm hits Netherlands

AMSTERDAM, 19 Jan — Gale-force winds and heavy rains hit the Netherlands on Thursday, prompting travel warnings, school closures and forcing flight cancellations in what is expected to be the worst storm in years.

Strong winds damaged the arched roof of Amsterdam's Central Station, with falling glass prompting authorities to ban passengers from platforms and stop trains from entering the station, a national rail service spokeswoman said.

"Several lines have been closed from the west

to the east. Amsterdam Central Station is totally closed, and we expect more lines to be closed in the course of the afternoon," the spokeswoman said.

The weather also disrupted shipping at Rotterdam's Port, Europe's busiest, and caused an oil spill at one of its terminals when a drifting container ship bumped into an oil jetty.

"Such a storm has not been seen in our country for years," the Dutch meteorological office, KNMI, said in a statement.

MNA/Reuters

Hurricane causes major disruptions in Germany

BERLIN, 19 Jan — Germans were told to stay indoors and many schools across the country closed early on Thursday as a rare hurricane bore down on them, seriously disrupting air and rail travel and causing at least one death on the roads.

After leaving a trail of damage in the Netherlands and the English Channel, authorities were on alert as hurricane "Kyrill" reached western Germany in the afternoon, uprooting trees, damaging buildings and causing major delays on roads.

In southwest Germany, one motorist was killed after he crashed into another vehicle between trying to avoid a fallen tree, police said. The other driver was seriously injured. In the northern state of Schleswig-Holstein, a train was held up when it crashed into an uprooted

tree, police and national rail operator Deutsche Bahn said. Nobody was injured.

Germany's DWD meteorological service said the storm could generate winds of up to 180 kilometres hour/h (112 mile per hour) in high and exposed areas and as much as 130 kilometres hour in lower-lying regions.

"What's unusual about this storm is that it will affect the whole country and not just certain zones," said Christoph Hartmann, a spokesman for the DWD in Offenbach.

MNA/Reuters

Ro Cham H'pnheng is

photographed at her

house in Oyadaw

village, near the border

with Vietnam, in the

northeast of Cambodia,

on 16 Jan, 2007.

INTERNET



Woman returns home after 18 years in Cambodian jungle

HANOI, 19 Jan — A woman has been returned to her home in Vietnam's Central Highlands 18 years after she went missing as an eight-year old girl tending cows near the Cambodian border, her father told a newspaper on Thursday.

Policeman Ksor Lu Long believed that his daughter had been eaten by a wild animal until last Saturday when he was told that loggers had found "a forestman" at a village in Cambodia's province of Ratanakiri.

Lu arrived and "recognized his daughter from the first sighting" even though her body was blackened and she had long hair down to her legs and could not speak, according to the account in the Vietnam Rural Today newspaper.

Lu said his daughter, Ro Cham H'pnheng of the Jrai ethnic minority group, probably spent most of the time in the jungle in Cambodia since she went missing in 1989.

The loggers told Lu that they caught her after realizing that someone had

sneaked up and taken their lunch.

Lu said that at first it was difficult bringing her back to normal life because she resisted showering, wearing clothes or using chopsticks,

fending him off and shouting and crying.

Four days later she started cooperating, Lu said. "It is not easy indeed but life is waiting ahead for her." —MNA/Reuters

At least 4 killed in UAE tower fire

DUBAI, 19 Jan — At least four workers were killed and 39 injured when a fire broke out on Thursday in a tower under construction in Dubai, the trading hub of the United Arab Emirates, a hospital official and witnesses said.

"Three bodies were found on the scene and another died before arriving at Rashid Hospital," a hospital official told Reuters.

Dubai Multi Commodities Centre Authority — a state body that owns the building — said an investigation would be carried out into the cause of the "tragic" incident without giving further details.

MNA/Reuters



Participants in mermaid costumes designed with flowers take part in "the Florathon" in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, on 20 Jan, 2007.

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Communicative English Language Course for Women concludes

YANGON, 21 Jan — Communicative English Language Course for Women, organized by the sub-working group for education of social and cultural working group under Women's Affairs Federation concluded at Basic Education High School No 2 in Sangyoung Township today.

First, working group leader Dr Daw Sandar Aung explained the purpose of conducting the course. Next, completion certificates were presented to the trainees.

Later, sub-working group leader Daw Kyi Kyi Hla presented cash donations for the school to Headmistress.

A total of 124 trainees attended the eight-week course. — MNA

Trainees of Communicative English Language Course for Women entertain the attenders with songs. — MNA



Commander attends the launch of Measles Control Integrated Strategies Implementation Project

NAY PYI TAW, 21 Jan — With the sponsorship of the Ministry of Health, Nay Pyi Taw Measles Control Integrated Strategies Implementation Project was launched at Mingala Kandaw Hall in Pynmana this morning, attended by Commander of Nay Pyi Taw Command Brig-Gen Wai Lwin and wife Daw Swe Swe Oo.

Also present on the occasion were Minister for Health Dr Kyaw Myint, Deputy Ministers Dr Mya Oo and Dr Paing Soe, heads of department of the Ministry of Health, officials of UNICEF, social organizations, medical superintendents,



Commander Brig-Gen Wai Lwin, Minister Dr Kyaw Myint open Measles Control Integrated Strategies Implementation Project. — MNA

matrons, nurses, health staff and others.

Speaking on the

occasion, Commander Brig-Gen Wai Lwin said that the government is taking all the necessary measures for uplift of health and fitness of infants. This being the case, extended vaccination against TB, diphtheria, whooping cough, tetanus, has been launched since 1978. The vaccination against polio and measles was added to the project in 1987.

In 2003, vaccination against Haepatic B was launched and at present, vaccination against 7 diseases in total is being commissioned across the country.

The vaccination against measles needs to

be conducted with added momentum to prevent its recurrence under the project.

The project will run from 14 to 27 January with the participation of battalions and regiments, construction companies and social organizations.

In conclusion, the commander thanked those who contributed their services in the drive and called on them to continue providing necessary assistance for the success of the project.

Next, the commander and party presented gifts to children and looked into the vaccination against measles. — MNA

Online Brand Fashion introduced

YANGON, 21 Jan — A ceremony to introduce and open a new shop was held at No 466, Kyinmyindine Township this morning.

First, owner of On-line Branch Fashion Daw Yin Yin Moe extended greetings and explained the facts about the On-line Brand Fashion.

Next, wife of the Chairman of Yangon City Development Committee Dr Daw Khin Hsan Nwe and owner of On-line Branch Fashion Daw Yin Yin Moe formally opened the new shop.

Afterwards, actor Hnet Pyaw Kyaw reads out the items manufactured by On-line Brand and quality and the name and the address of

the shop.

The items manufactured by the On-line Brand are available at No 105, Tel-685392,

09-500-3714, 09-512-9095 and www.online wear biz, E-mail: limelight @ myanmar comm.

Men's, women's and children's wears in various sizes are available at the same venue.

MNA



Dr Daw Khin Hsan Nwe, wife of Mayor, Daw Yin Yin Moe and Personnel open new shop of Online Brand Fashion. — MNA

Chinese military to strengthen political education of soldiers

BEIJING, 21 January — The Chinese military is to strengthen the ideological and political education of soldiers, according to new education guidelines approved by the Central Military Commission.

The 10-chapter guidelines, issued by the General Political Department of the People's Liberation Army (PLA), sets the goals, principles, contents of the education.

It stresses that ideological and political education should be based on practice and activities, and should note the characteristics of all sorts of soldiers, officers and military students.

The guidelines were crucial for the practice of ruling the Army law, said an official with the department, adding that the draft of the guidelines were completed on a wide range of suggestions from Party committees and political departments.

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Why is US, that was silent when Myanmar was suffering from insurgency, accusing and slandering her when she is enjoying peace, progress?

U Myo Myint (Law)

I am now 75 years and eight months old. I was 16 years seven months and three days old when Myanmar regained her independence on 4 January 1948. The whole Myanmar was under enslavement till I was 16 years seven months and two days old. My parents had to serve their duties under enslavement till their 40s. My grandparents had to live longer under British colonization. I want neither myself nor my descendants to live under subjugation. As the slogan of Doh Bamar Asiayon, "I wish to live as a Thakin (master)."

I loathed the evil sufferings I faced under colonialism. Later, I know more about all the evil experiences, oppressions, tortures, exploitation and manipulations of other colonies. I hate the colonialists more when I read in the books about the practical experiences of the colonial eras. Today, the world is against the colonialists that enslaved, oppressed and exploited their colonies after invading them. In accord with the wish of the great majority of the member states and the global people, the UN abolished colonialism.

In the past, the act of colonizing other nations out of greed was to rob colonies of their rich natural resources and exploit them. During World War II, the three Axis nations, with stronger greed for excessive self-interest, committed atrocities, as if they were possessed by devils. They were able to seize many colonies from others, and Nazi Germany even invaded and enslaved the colonialists — France and Dutch.

After WWII, the US laid down the Marshall Plan to help rebuild the war ravaged European colonialists. As socialist governments took over state power in East European nations — East Germany (German Democratic Republic), Poland, Hungary, Romania, Bulgaria, Albania, Yugoslavia, Czechoslovakia — the US provided financial aid to countries of the West Europe to prevent socialist or communists from gaining state power. America, while providing assistance to Europe, formed the US-led NATO, with security as a reason. The US started to establish its military power in Europe.

The US tried to launch the Cold War to

demolish the Soviet Union and East European socialist nations by using the NATO or in other words West European nations. All the regional wars — Korean War in the Far East, Vietnam War in Southeast Asia, Latin American wars, and African wars were not free from US involvement and instigation. I have read a story about Nga Pwagyi, a notorious fellow, in Myanmar reader book for third-standard students. The story said: "Once pupils were learning lessons at a monastic education school. Suddenly they heard that a fight broke out between the two pupils. The Sayadaw asked who the two were. An older pupil answered "It's Nga Pwagyi, Sayadaw." The Sayadaw shouted at him, "I am asking you to let me know the other guy, not Nga Pwa Gyi. It is understood that Nga Pwagyi is always involved in fights!"

Politicians and journalist of the parliamentary democracy (AFPFL) era during the post-WWII period dubbed America Nga Pwagyi (troublemaker), as the country was meddling and interfering in the affairs of countries around the world.

We will know the conspiracies of US if we read the article "Failed US attempt to trouble Myanmar by misusing UN" which includes the statement made by Zoltan Grossman who said that the US launched 134 military aggressions during the period of 111 years. Myanmar politicians named the US "Nga Pwa Gyi" as they knew all those evil acts of the US.

The US also committed military aggressions that are not included the list mentioned by Grossman. They are: the unfinished military invasion of Iraq that began on 19 March 2003; the killing of innocent civilians in southern Somalia by bombing civilian targets.

In the news variety featured in 15-1-2007-issued Myanma Alin daily under the heading "Americans oppose sending more troops to Iraq and express worry over US intrusion in Somalia: Filipinos march to protest at interferences of Bush administration" included the news reports saying that the Syrian President told members of EU parliament that stability in the Middle East deteriorated because

of the US interferences; that seventy-two per cent of the American people opposed Bush's announcement to send 20,000 extra troops to Iraq; that the dialogue on nuclear programme and aid programme stalled as the US accused North Korea of money laundering; that the people protested the US government to close its prison camp at Guantanamo on the edge of Cuba as there were inhuman atrocities in the prison; that UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon expressed concern over US bombing of Somalia; that in Cebu, Filipinos marched to the venue of 12th ASEAN Summit and made demands to stop US interferences in Southeast Asia, while opposing George W Bush (together with two photos). The news variety also featured two more photos. One is the picture of anti-war activists staging a protest to close the US prison at Guantanamo, and another is the picture of strikers in Cebu holding cartoon features of President Bush and poster bearing the words "US out of Southeast Asia".

On the page 4 of the daily were the news reports saying that both the Democrats and the Republicans of the US Senate said that sending of more troops to Iraq was wrong and that Bush made another dangerous blunder; that the Russian Foreign Ministry said that the arrest of five staff of the Iranian Consulate in Iraq amounted to breaching the authority empowered to the multi-national forces; that the chairman of Russian Duma declared that Russia opposed the sending of more US troops to Iraq. The news reports clearly show America as the real troublemaker.

The US has already sent an aircraft carrier naval fleet to threaten Iran. It sent another carrier task force to the area. Meanwhile, the US has decided to send 220,000 troops as reinforcements to Iraq where it has already stationed 140,000 soldiers. The accusation made by the constantly aggressive US in the early 2007, saying that Myanmar posed a threat to regional and international stability and security is the best joke we have ever heard.

When it comes to colonialism, I do not wish to hear both the old and the neo-colonialists. Other Myanmar people also have the same view. Myanmar people suffered from oppressions and exploitation of the colonialists for 123 years. Myanmar fell victim to colonialist instigation, sectarian and ideological violence, internal insurgency and civil commotion fueled by the rightists and leftists in collusion.

During the AFPFL era in 1949, the BCP, the BCP (Red Flag), the BCP (white Flag), and the KNDO vied one another to seize more land, loot state funds, and kill civilians. Those incidents occurred during the time Myanmar was even dubbed as Yangon government are unforgettable moments for Myanmar people. During the times the nation was infested by insurgents, people faced the national situation that is worse to the degree of breaking up the Union.

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I used to ride the Yangon-Mandalay train when I was a student. At the time insurgents were blowing up the up and down trains daily or every other day. Sometimes they ambushed the trains. Many innocent civilians were killed if a train hit a mine. Many others lost their limbs. The down train from Mandalay had to make one overnight stop each at Thazi, Pinyinana and Toungoo before arriving at Yangon to escape mines. If a train was blown up by mine, other trains could not run. So passengers had to pack their things up and continued their journey by car.

It was common for the road passengers to face insurgent armed attacks at some places between Yangon and Bago or to be ambushed by insurgents in the south and north of Pinyinana. Insurgents usually robbed passengers of their money on the road. Passenger buses bound for PinyinOoLwin (then Maymyo) from Mandalay often came under ambush in Htonbo. And along the route forwards, they were waiting for the buses to rob the passengers. When the BCP was strong, it often blasted Gyobu water pipeline used to pipe clean water to Yangon. So, at the time, dwellers of almost all of the wards in Yangon had to spend a long time to fetch even a bucket of water sent from the Hlawgar Lake.

Before the 8-8-88 unrest, the nation saw many black regions (the regions completely under the control of insurgents) and brown regions (the regions frequented by the insurgents). When Tatmadaw members launched attacks on the insurgents for security of the people, aboveground sympathizers criticized the Tatmadaw.

After 1988, the US and certain Western Europe countries abetted the insurgent groups and expatriates, thereby attacking Myanmar. The West bloc-backed renegades and insurgents exploded time bombs to kill the pilgrims visiting Kaba Aye Cave in Yangon to pay reverence to the Buddha's Tooth Relic. In addition, they raided the Kyaikhtiyi Pagoda and took all the money from the donation boxes; fired on pilgrimage convoys including the pilgrimage bus, carrying Secretary-General of the Sangha Maha Nayaka Committee Tipitaka Dhamma Bhandagarika Bhaddanta Vicitta Sarabhivamsa (Mingun Sayadaw); exploded mines in busy places such as wards, markets, bus-stops and railway stations; hijacked an airplane; and raided the Myanmar Embassy in Bangkok. Soon after each of these destructive acts, BBC, VOA, RFA and DVB announced that the act was not committed by the expatriates or insurgents. Those broadcasting stations, the US and Britain publicized the terrorists, destructionists and insurgents as democracy activists.

Indeed, they ran poppy industry, torched villages, committed massacres, collected extortion money, and committed conscription of minors, but the US praised them as activists for freedom of national races and democracy. So, Myanmar people came to realize that what the US acted and spoke were just physical and verbal misdeeds.

Then, hand in hand with local people, the Tatmadaw had to crush the insurgents, expatriates, internal destructive elements, and drug trafficker dacoits for security of the people, restoration of peace and stability, and prevalence of law and order.

It is the US that invades other countries, brands revolutionaries from the countries as destructionists, terrorists or insurgents, bombarded

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the countries more than needed, and tortured the revolutionaries in the prison camps if it captures them.

In the US, more than 23 million of various forms of crimes occurred in 2002, and more than 24 million crimes in 2003, and the US administration arrested, charged and punished the offenders. I do not want to put blame on the US government for its taking action against the culprits.

I would like the US to understand Myanmar for the latter's arresting and putting the offenders on trial. The US punishes not only its national offenders but also some offenders of other countries. According to the media, discrimination is common in hearing cases and handing down sentences in the US. In this regard, I do not want to criticize it, either. In Myanmar, every offender has to face action in accordance with the law. It is not wise to discriminate in favour or against the offenders, because no man is above the law.

In Myanmar, any citizen can join the ruling party or opposition party of his own volition. However, it is required of the politicians to be aware of the fact that if a person violates the law under the pretext of politics, he will have to be put behind bars. There is a legal motto "Ignorant of law is no excuse". Therefore, the US should stop making a demand for release of those who are detained for their violation of law in the nation, and so should expatriates and such broadcasting stations as BBC, VOA, RFA and DVB. I would like to suggest that if you could not help making such a demand, you should participate in the mass demonstrations staged in many countries in protest against the existence of Abu Ghraib and Guantanamo prisons.

Now, peace and stability has been restored throughout the Union, as evidenced by the fact that 17 major armed groups and 18 small armed groups have returned to the legal fold. Unlike in the past, market places are now open in the border areas and people can do border trade with and go to neighbouring countries on business, on pilgrimage, on study or on visit. The roads have been upgraded with peace restored, so people can travel to wherever they want at ease and in convenience in a short time. The nation has a promising future.

Now, construction work is being carried out in all aspects and the entire Union has enjoyed economic and social development. That is today's situation in Myanmar.

Before 1988, artillery and heavy weapons were used in crushing the insurgents. At that time, the US and Britain did not make any accusation of a threat to the peace and security of neighbouring countries and regional countries. In the nation, there is no longer need to launch major combats. Those who are accusing civilians of insurgency and constantly bombarding and launching missiles at Iraq, Afghanistan and Somalia are not Myanmar people, but the US and Britain and their cohorts. So, their accusation against Myanmar is totally groundless with a political trick. Due to the instigation of the US and its associates, some countries in the Middle East and

Africa Continent are suffering bloodshed due to lack of stability stemming from Iraq war, Afghanistan war and Somalia war.

The UN Charter signed by all the members states enabling world people to live in peace without any future world war, mutual respect for the sovereignty and equality of all nations, non-interference in the internal affairs of one another, and renunciation of the threat or use of force.

Despite being one of the countries that initiated the UN, drew and signed the UN Charter to follow the principles, the US has so far committed military invasions and attacks, and stirred up civil wars or regional wars totalling more than 100 times. It is really threatening the security of the world, harming world peace, and violating the sovereignty of many other countries. In addition, practising old colonialism and neo-colonialism, it occupies other nations, then it regards the people of its colonies as slaves in dealing with the citizens and exploits the natural resources of these countries instead of withdrawing its troops. In many articles, it is stated that the US has violated the UN Charter repeatedly. Myanmar is not the nation that poses a threat to region and international security and peace. Today in Myanmar, colonialists' spies, lackeys, puppet and national traitor axe-handlers cannot violate the law and rise against the government at will. And all the attempts of certain countries to dominate Myanmar are never successful. The country has enjoyed peace and security with equitable development of all parts of the nation. The development gap between urban and rural areas and between states and divisions and border areas is declining. If nation-building tasks are carried out without any forms of hindrances, Myanmar will pass its golden era soon.

Peace and stability has been restored throughout the nation thanks to the fact that responsible officials are taking measures for community peace and prevalence of law and order, and the Tatmadaw has defended the nation from collapse. Before 1988 when Myanmar suffered unrest with many black and brown regions, the US remained silent and did not make any accusations against the nation.

However, only after peace and stability has been restored with prosperity for development, Myanmar has strengthened friendly ties and has been cooperating with neighbouring and regional countries, and other countries for mutual interests, and the people have enjoyed the taste of peace and development, the US is levelling an accusation that situation in Myanmar poses a threat to regional and internal security and peace. Therefore, I would like to suggest that the US stop telling lies that tarnish the image of its own and its citizens, be careful what you say, and cultivate a good habit of telling truth.

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Thandaung Township Special Region Peaceful Association totally opposes US-led draft resolution

YANGON, 21 Jan — *Thandaung Township Special Region Peaceful Association issued a declaration on 15 January totally opposing the draft resolution submitted by the US and Britain to the UNSC so that they could interfere in Myanmar's internal affairs. The declaration is as follow:-*

The US and Britain led the draft resolution to put Myanmar's situation on the agenda of UNSC. Our association objected the draft resolution and so did China and Russia as well as all the entire people of Myanmar.

On behalf of all the entire people of Myanmar, our association thanks for the protest against the US draft resolution of the People's Republic of China and the Russian Federation.

Despite the condemnation, the US and Britain proposed a draft resolution to put Myanmar issue on the UNSC accusing it of continuing the detention of political prisoners, violation of human rights by oppressing some ethnic groups in the eastern part of Myanmar, incapability to control the spread of HIV/AIDS and malaria and failure to eliminate narcotic drug production.

Due to groundless accusations on Myanmar of posing a threat to regional and international peace and security, the People's Republic of China and the Russian Federation voted rare double veto against the draft resolution of the US and Britain. South Africa objected it and three member countries Indonesia, Qatar and Congo abstained. The rare double veto has not been practiced since 1972 till now.

We believe that Myanmar affairs ought to be solved by Myanmar people themselves. We all cannot accept the interference of foreign countries. As a result, Thandaung Township Special Region Peaceful Association pledges to participate in the realization of the State's seven-step Road Map and we firmly believe that the best way to solve Myanmar's internal affairs should lead to the National Convention.

U Saw Ywal Hmu
Chairman

Thandaung Township Special Region Peaceful Association
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Foreign interference in Myanmar affairs unacceptable

YANGON, 21 Jan — *Families of former members of MTA Development Group issued a declaration on 18 January opposing, objecting and condemning the draft resolution submitted by the United States and Britain to the UNSC in order to interfere in Myanmar's internal affairs. The declaration is as follows:-*

1. On 11 January 2007, the acting US Ambassador to the UN submitted a draft resolution co-sponsored by the US and Britain to take action against Myanmar by the UNSC. We are very pleased to learn that the People's Republic of China and the Russian Federation cast double veto and thanked them.

2. The accusations in the draft resolution said that Myanmar's internal affairs posed a threat to regional and international peace and security. We believe that the People's Republic of China and the Russian Federation turned down the resolution because they are slanders.

3. We believe that Myanmar issue should be settled among the Myanmar nationals themselves and do not accept foreign interference. We firmly believe that it is right to discuss the issue at the National Convention in accord with the seven-step Road Map.

U Sai Khun Mein
Chairman
Families of former members of MTA
Development Group
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Mandalay Industrial Zone issues declaration condemning US, Britain-proposed draft resolution

YANGON, 21 Jan — *Mandalay Industrial Zone issued a declaration on 14 January condemning the draft resolution the US and Britain jointly submitted to the UN Security Council to interfere in Myanmar's internal affairs. The declaration is as follows:-*

The draft resolution submitted to the UNSC on 11 January, 2007 was decided through voting but it was rejected by the People's Republic of China, Russian Federation and South Africa while Indonesia, Congo and Qatar abstained from voting. China and Russia turned down the resolution by using their double veto.

Now, Myanmar has seen a lot of industrial zones and factories in the country. It is the undeniable fact that our country has enjoyed national development as well as industrial development. With these fruits of development, the Myanmar people are enjoying taste of peace and stability of the State by doing everything they want to do such as going to pagodas and monasteries for religious purposes.

Brought up under Buddha's teachings, the Myanmar people have no wish at all to destroy peace and stability of other countries. They only wish to see other countries progressing. In dealing with other nations, our country uphold noble attitudes such as loving-kindness, patience and sympathy.

Therefore, we strongly oppose the lopsided attempt of the US and Britain to propose the draft resolution to the UNSC in order to take action against Myanmar. We also abhor the acts of national traitors, unscrupulous internal political organizations and expatriate insurgents.

All in all, we are very grateful to the People's Republic of China and Russian Federation which vetoed the resolution, South Africa which voted against it and Indonesia, Congo and Qatar which abstained from voting.

Mandalay Industrial Zone
MNA

Northern Thandaung Special Region Peace Association condemning US, Britain draft resolution

YANGON, 21 Jan—*The Arms and Peace Exchange Association, Northern Thandaung Special Region issued a declaration on 17 January condemning the draft resolution submitted by the United States and Britain to the United Nations Security Council in order to interfere in Myanmar's internal affairs. The full text of the declaration is as follows:-*

1. The Arms and Peace Exchange Association in Northern Thandaung Special Region protested against the resolution to put Myanmar on the agenda of the UNSC. In the same way, China and Russia as well as the entire national people did so.

2. Despite the objection, the US and Britain continued proposing a draft resolution in order to interfere in Myanmar's internal affairs, accusing the government of failure in the control of HIV, TB and malaria and drug production, continued detention of political prisoners, oppressing ethnic minorities and violating human rights.

3. As accusation of the US to the effect that the Myanmar issue is posing a threat to international peace and security is groundless, the People's Republic of China, Russia and South Africa objected the resolution while three other nations abstained.

4. We the Arms and Peace Exchange Association firmly believe that the Myanmar issue should be addressed by Myanmar people themselves, and any outside intervention is unacceptable. And solving the problems at the National Convention being convened in line with the seven-step Road Map is the most suitable way.

U Ko Gyi
Chairman
Arms and Peace Exchange
Association

U Lah Bwe
Vice-Chairman
Arms and Peace Exchange
Association

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Pre-Primary School under Maternal and Child Welfare Association Branch opened

YANGON, 21 Jan— The Pre-Primary School under the Maternal and Child Welfare Association Branch of the Prisons Department was opened in the compound of PD in Insein Township today. The ceremony was attended by Chairperson of Yangon Division Maternal and Child Welfare Supervisory

Committee Daw Mar Mar Wai, wife of Commander, Daw Tin Tin Nwe, wife of the Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement, Dr Daw Nyunt Nyunt Oo, wife of the Minister for Home Affairs cut a ribbon to open the pre-primary school. Dr Daw Nyunt Nyunt Oo gave an opening speech.



YANGON, 21 Jan— A ceremony to enshrine religious objects in Ananda Gonyi Yanpyay Manpyay Maha Bodhi Hsutaungpyae Pagoda

Next, wellwishers including Minister for Home Affairs Maj-Gen Maung Oo and wife Dr Daw Nyunt Nyunt Oo donated cash and kind amounting to K 5.25 million towards the school funds.—MNA

Daw Mar Mar Wai
accepts cash
donation by
Dr Daw Nyunt Nyunt
Oo, wife of the
Minister for
Home Affair.

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Religious objects enshrined in Maha Bodhi Hsutaungpyae Pagoda in Shwedaung

was held at the pagoda in Shwedaung Township, Bago Division (West) yesterday.

It was attended by members of the Sangha, departmental staff and local people.

First, the congregation received the Nine Precepts from the Sayadaw Bhaddanta Samvara of Shwemawdaw Monastery.

The provisions and religious objects were donated to the Sayadaw.

The congregation later shared merits gained. After the ceremony, those present planted trees in the pagoda compound.

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Ananda Gonyi Yanpyay Manpyay Maha Bodhi Hsutaungpyae Pagoda being built in Shwedaung. — MNA

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3. It is learnt that the US, Britain, France, Italy, Ghana, Peru, Czech Republic, Panama and Belgium voted in favour of the draft resolution and Russia, China and South Africa voted against it. And Indonesia, Congo and Qatar abstained.

4. We strongly condemn the attempts of the US and Britain that will breed harm to independence and sovereignty of the State and some member nations of the UNSC, which voted in favour of the resolution. In addition, we express our special thanks for the protest against the draft resolution of the People's Republic of China, the Russian Federation and South Africa as well as Congo, Indonesia and Qatar.

U Mein Sin
Brigade (758)
Wang Pan Headquarters
MNA

MFF condemns acts of ...

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The reasons stated in the draft resolution submitted by the United States and Britain to the UNSC in order to interfere in Myanmar's internal affairs did not reflect the present conditions in Myanmar. It is an attempt of misusing the authority of the UNSC by big nations. That was why it was abortive.

The United States and Britain constantly supported the groups opposing the Tatmadaw government and showed their support for democracy movement. It was the misdeed that save the face of anti-government groups.

The UNSC has no right to interfere in the affairs of a country under the pretext of democracy and human rights and no big nations has right to interfere in the affairs of others using the UNSC as a tool.

We strongly condemned the act of the US and Britain that harms the independence and sovereignty of Myanmar, peace, stability, national security and national solidarity and members of the UNSC that support the wrong act.

We expressed our thanks to the People's Republic of China and the Russian Federation for opposing the resolution with the use of veto, South Africa for objecting it and Indonesia, Congo and Qatar for abstention.

We strongly condemned the acts of national traitors so-called democracy activists at home and abroad who constantly demand for interference in Myanmar's political affairs by the UNSC and big nations.

We CEC members of Myanmar Fisheries Federation condemned and objected all the measures undertaken for self-interest based on personality cult rather than the interests of Myanmar and its citizens.

U Htay Myint
Chairman
Myanmar Fisheries Federation
MNA

Myanmar Traditional Artists and...

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Myanmar, a sovereign state will not accept the domination of internal affairs of any external countries. As a result, the association totally objected any organizations relying upon foreign countries on the pretext of democracy.

The MTAAA expressed its thanks for the protest against the US draft resolution of the People's Republic of China, the Russian Federation and South Africa and Indonesia, Qatar and Congo abstained.

Myanmar Traditional Artists and Artisans Asiayon
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UNSC by accusing Myanmar of being a threat to regional and international peace and security. But, the resolution was rejected through double veto cast by the People's Republic of China and Russian Federation. So, our sincere thanks go to China and Russia for their rejection.

3. Overall, we strongly oppose the outside interference in our internal affairs, which should be dealt with only by our national brethren.

Maha Ja
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Homein Region Development and Welfare Group
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Blind Spaniard caught speeding cleared of fraud

MADRID, 20 Jan — A blind man caught speeding on a Spanish motorway has been cleared of fraud after a judge rejected an insurance company's allegation that he could really see, court officials said recently.

Domingo Merino was charged with fraud after insurers Mapfre said he had not been blinded in a traffic accident for which they were ordered to pay him 550,000 euros (\$712,500) in compensation in a 1998 case.

Mapfre argued that Merino could see since he had been caught driving at 154 kilometres per hour (96 miles per hour) in a BMW just months before the trial.

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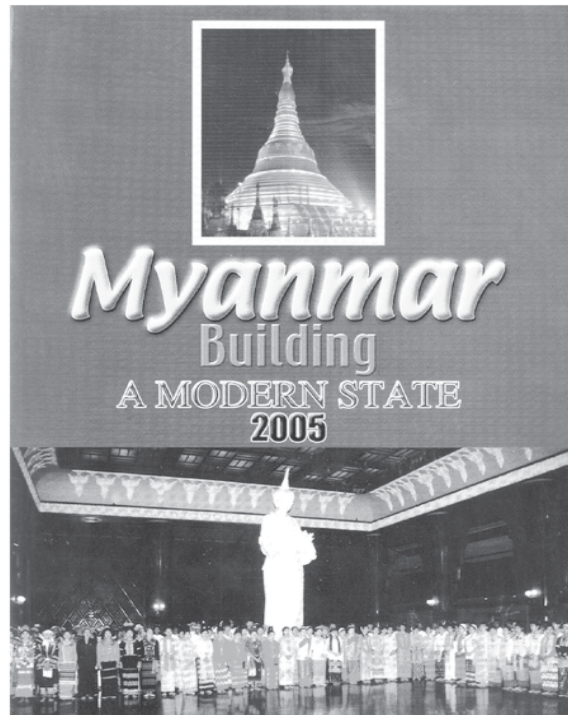
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Moderate quake jolts Indonesia's Java Island

JAKARTA, 20 Jan — A moderate earthquake shook parts of Indonesia's central Java Island on Friday, although there were no immediate reports of casualties or damage, a meteorologist said.

The magnitude 5.7 quake struck south of Java at 9.44 am (0244 GMT) at a depth of 33 kilometres (21 miles), an official at Indonesia's Meteorology and Geophysics Agency said by telephone.

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Faulty transplant system causes unnecessary deaths in Canada

OTTAWA, 20 Jan — The lack of a national transplant organization has made Canada lag behind other developed countries and leaves about 1,100 unnecessary deaths every year, an expert said on Thursday.

Canada is the only developed country that has not a national transplant organization, thus depending on scattered provincial donation programmes which rarely have exchanges, said Dr Phil Halloran, editor of the *American Journal of Transplantation* and one of Canada's foremost transplant surgeons.

The lack of national standards or federal

oversight has made Canada lag far behind the United States on a per capita basis, performing only about 60 per cent of the transplants as the latter.

Halloran estimates that almost 1,200 Canadians a year are not getting the life-saving organs they need.

The doctor urged the government to establish a central agency, which would be responsible for

five jobs managed on a national level, namely advocacy, benchmarking and standards, collection of data, distribution of organs and engagement of foreign agencies.

In the United States, there are two key national agencies, the Organ Procurement and Trans-

plantation Network and the United Network for Organ Sharing.

These two agencies provide three services: set national standards for organ collection of organs; collect national data; and distribute organs across the US based on need.

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Over 60 feared drowned in India boat capsized

HYDERABAD (India), 20 Jan — More than 60 people returning home from a Hindu festival in southern India were feared drowned after their overcrowded boat capsized and sank while crossing a river, police said on Friday.

The accident occurred on Thursday on the Krishna River in Mehboobnagar District of Andhra Pradesh State, 180 kilometres (110 miles) southwest of the state capital, Hyderabad.

District police chief K. Srinivas Reddy said 66 people, including 30 women and children, were missing and feared drowned.

Divers and helicopters scoured the river for bodies until nightfall

forced rescuers to suspend the search operation. They said it would resume on Saturday morning.

Reddy said there were more than 70 people on the crowded boat when it sank 100 metres (330 feet) from the bank in deep water.

"So far we have recovered the bodies of 13 people including a woman and two children," he added. Some of the younger passengers were able to swim to safety, but the elderly and many women and children were among the missing, he said.

Authorities said divers found a further nine bodies, including those of two women and four children, late on Friday.

MNA/Reuters

Study says Holocaust survivors owed as much as \$175b

NEW YORK, 20 Jan — Holocaust survivors are still owed between 115 billion US dollars and 175 billion US dollars in restitution despite six decades of efforts to return everything the Nazis stole, from their homes to businesses, a new study said on Thursday.

In the last decade, restitution efforts intensified due to the end of the Cold War, as well as public pressure spurred by new reports of the extent of Nazi looting and an uproar over efforts by Swiss banks to conceal victim accounts, said the study's author, international economist Sidney Zabludoff.

The study was prepared for Jerusalem-based Jewish Political Studies Review and made available to Reuters.

"At least 115 billion US dollars-175 billion US dollars (at 2005 prices) remains unreturned despite

numerous clear and explicit international agreements and country promises made during World War II and immediately thereafter," the study said.

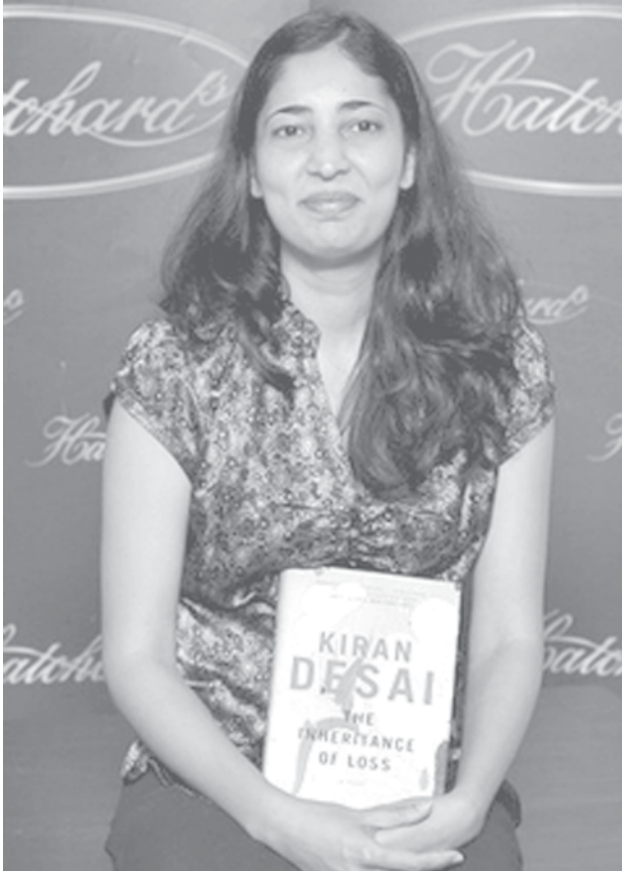
European nations have pledged 3.4 billion US dollars in restitution payments, though only about half of that was paid by 2005.

This slow pace reflected how quickly the restitution push faded after 2002, when the United States stopped squeezing European governments and public attention waned, said Zabludoff, a former White House, Treasury Department and CIA official.

"No additional noteworthy Congressional hearings were held, efforts by US state regulators diminished sharply and there were unfavourable court cases" on insurance claims, the study said.

MNA/Reuters

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Author Kiran Desai displays her book 'The Inheritance of Loss' in London, on 10 Oct, 2006. Desai is among the finalists announced, on 20 Jan, 2007, for the 33rd annual National Book Critics Circle prize. — INTERNET

Lawmakers seek to bar US attack on Iran

WASHINGTON, 20 Jan — A bipartisan group of lawmakers in the US House of Representatives pushed legislation on Thursday to prohibit a US attack on Iran without congressional permission.

The effort, led by representative Walter Jones, North Carolina Republican who in 2005 joined calls from many Democrats for a phased US withdrawal from the Iraq war, came as lawmakers voiced concerns the Bush Administration might

provoke a confrontation with neighbouring Iran. "The resolution makes crystal clear that no previous resolution passed by Congress" authorizes a US attack on Iran, Jones told reporters, referring to the 2002 vote by Congress authorizing the US invasion of Iraq.

The joint resolution would have to be passed by the House and Senate and signed by President George W Bush to acquire the force of law. It would waive the congressional authorization only if Iran attacked the United States or its Armed Forces, or if such an attack

was "demonstrably" imminent. So far, Jones' resolution has 11 co-sponsors in the 435-member House. At the White House, Bush, asked whether there were any US plans to take action against Iran, told Sinclair Broadcasting: "I have made it clear that if they're moving weapons inside Iraq that will hurt the cause of democracy and more particularly hurt our soldiers, we'll take care of business there .



Japan's Soko Yamaoka performs a jump during the women's halfpipe final at the FIS World Championships in Arosa, on 20 Jan, 2007. Switzerland's Manuela Laura Pesko won the event ahead of Yamaoka. INTERNET

Montenegro joins IMF as 185th member

WASHINGTON, 20 Jan — The Republic of Montenegro has joined the International Monetary Fund as the 185th member, the IMF said on Thursday. Ljubisa Krgovic, President of the Council of the Central Bank of Montenegro signed the Articles of Agreement with the IMF on Thursday. Montenegro's Finance Minister Igor Luksic attended the signing ceremony. The Balkan republic's initial quota 1 in the IMF is SDR 27.5 million (about 41.2 million US dollars). With the admission of Montenegro, total members' quotas in the IMF rises to SDR 216.75 billion (about 325.01 billion dollars).— MNA/Xinhua

UK storms leave thousands without power

LONDON, 20 Jan — Hundreds of thousands of Britons were left without power on Thursday as severe gales, falling trees and flying debris brought down power lines across the country, energy suppliers said.

The southern half of the country was worst affected, with the storms also causing transport chaos and damaging buildings. E.ON UK said as many as 80,000 customers had lost power, mostly in Herefordshire, Worcestershire and Lincolnshire. "There's wind damage, trees are down, it's awful," a spokeswoman for

Germany's E.ON said. Scottish and Southern Energy said a similar number of its clients were without electricity, especially in Reading, Aldershot and Slough. "It's been quite spread out," she said. French-owned EDF Energy also reported some 80,000 of its customers were left without power in southern England because of storm

damage. "The severe weather is still passing through our network areas and the customer figures below are likely to change (both up and down) as the weather progresses and faults are restored," EDF Energy said in a statement. More homes were left without electricity in the southeast and southwest England. — MNA/Reuters

Panicky villagers kill two rare leopards in India

SRINAGAR (India), 20 Jan—Panic-stricken people chased and battered to death two rare leopards in different parts of India, highlighting increasing numbers of endangered wildlife that are killed as rapid economic development destroys habitats. In Kashmir, villagers attacked a leopard late on Wednesday after it injured two boys in Pulwama District, 70 kilometres (45 miles) south of Srinagar, the state's summer capital, police said. "Pnicky villagers ruthlessly killed the leopard with stones and sticks," police officer Farooq

Ahmad said. In India's western city of Nasik, local television footage showed a leopard darting across a residential pack, scaling a boundary wall and running through houses. A group of people were shown beating the leopard with logs as it lay on the ground, apparently after being cornered, it later died of its injuries. Cases of leopard and foxes being spotted in residential areas have been increasingly reported in India. Wildlife experts say this is a result of unplanned development that erodes the natural habitats of

animals. "This is all a result of rapid urbanization that is happening," said Anuradba Sawhney, who heads the India office of People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA). "I am sure there will be many more incidents like this in future." MNA/Reuters

A car has its final test on the product line at a production base of the Chang'an Auto Group in southwest China's Chongqing Municipality on 20 Jan, 2007.— INTERNET



SPORTS



Liverpool's Dirk Kuyt, centre, is tackled by Chelsea's Frank Lampard, grounded, during their English Premier League soccer match at Anfield Stadium, Liverpool, England, on 20 Jan, 2007.—INTERNET

Liverpool win 2-0 handing Chelsea third defeat

LONDON, 21 Jan— Liverpool scored twice in the opening 18 minutes to beat Chelsea 2-0 on Saturday and further dent the champions' aspirations of a third successive title.

Leaders Manchester United, on 57 points, can open a nine-point lead over second-placed Chelsea, beaten for the third time in the league, if they win at Arsenal on Sunday. Liverpool, third on 46, moved within five points of Chelsea and four clear of Arsenal. Liverpool, beaten 4-1 by Chelsea in the corresponding fixture last season in October 2005, took just four minutes to go ahead.

Peter Crouch glanced Jamie Carragher's long ball out of defence into the path of Dirk Kuyt and the Dutch striker rounded Paulo Ferreira and steered the ball past keeper Petr Cech, playing for the first time since a serious head injury in October.

Liverpool went two up in the 18th minute with a superb strike from Jermaine Pennant, scoring his first goal for Rafa Benitez' side since arriving at Anfield last July.

Steven Gerrard's cross from the left into the middle was headed out by makeshift centre back Michael Essien straight to the unmarked Pennant on the right. The winger chested the ball down, let it bounce once and struck a dipping right-footed volley over the diving Cech and into the top far corner off the underside of the crossbar.

MNA/Reuters

Answers to yesterday's Crossword Puzzle

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English Premier League match reports

LONDON, 21 Jan— Brief reports of Premier League matches played on Saturday:

Aston Villa 2 Watford 0

Goals in the last four minutes from Gavin Mahon, who put the ball into his own net in a goalmouth melee after a corner, and Gabriel Agbonlahor gave Martin O'Neill's Villa side their first win in 12 league games.

Fulham 1 Tottenham Hotspur 1

Both goals were scored in the final six minutes, long after the home side had lost Heidar Helguson to a red card in the 52nd for a foul on Tom Huddlestone, his second bookable offence.

Vincenzo Montella put Fulham ahead with a penalty in the 84th minute after a handball by defender Michael Dawson, but they were denied a fourth successive home win over their London rivals when fullback Pascal Chimbonda equalized in the 88th.

Manchester City 0 Blackburn Rovers 3

Morten Gamst Pedersen scored both goals to take his tally against City this season to three after contributing to their 4-2 home win in September.

The Norwegian headed home David Bentley's fine cross from the right wing a minute before halftime then, having been fouled by Micah Richards just past the hour, curled his left-footed free kick round the outside of the wall and in at the near post.

Substitute Matt Derbyshire added Rovers' third in injury time when he brushed off Stephen Jordan and tucked the ball between goalkeeper Nicky Weaver and the near post from a tight angle on the right for his third goal in four matches.



Fulham's Franck Queudrue and Tottenham's Hossam Ghaly jump for a high ball during their English Premier League soccer match at Fulham's Craven Cottage Stadium, London, on 20 Jan, 2007. INTERNET

Middlesbrough 5 Bolton Wanderers 1

Australia striker Mark Viduka scored twice in a fine Boro performance.

Bolton's veteran midfielder Gary Speed got the rout underway with an own goal in the sixth minute, turning Abel Xavier's header in after it came back off a post. The Portuguese defender headed the second from winger Stewart Downing's cross.

Downing laid on the third for Viduka with a right-wing cross that the Australian tapped in at the far post in the 23rd and bagged Boro's fourth himself with a fine shot from 25 metres just before halftime. Viduka completed the scoring in the 84th.

Bolton's consolation was scored by Kevin Nolan with a low shot from the edge of the area in the 25th minute and they had El-Hadji Diouf sent off in the 66th for bad language.—MNA/Reuters



Manchester City's Trevor Sinclair, right, fights for the ball with Blackburn Rovers' Robbie Savage during their English Premier League soccer match at The City of Manchester Stadium, Manchester, England, on 20 Jan, 2007. —INTERNET

Clijsters shows little mercy to Bondarenko

MELBOURNE, 21 Jan— Kim Clijsters enjoyed a brisk 6-3, 6-3 workout against Ukrainian Alona Bondarenko to reach the fourth round of the Aus-

tralian Open on Saturday. The Belgian had lost only three games in total in her first two matches and despite matching that tally in just the first set, Bondarenko stood no chance of ending Clijsters' run in her final Open before retiring.

MNA/Reuters

Lyon survive scare to advance in French Cup

PARIS, 21 Jan— Second-half goals by Sidney Govou and Fred earned Olympique Lyon a 3-1 comeback victory at amateurs Laon on Saturday to reach the last

16 of the French Cup. Five-times league champions Lyon, who have not won the Cup since 1973, were given a fright when striker Vin-

cent Koffmann netted on 20 minutes.

Gerard Houllier's side equalized eight minutes later through Francois Clerc before a flick from Govou put Lyon ahead midway through the second half.

Brazil striker Fred wrapped up the win with a spectacular volley five minutes from time.

MNA/Reuters

Palermo thwarted by Reggina, Atalanta climb to fourth

ROME, 21 Jan— Palermo's pursuit of second place suffered a setback after a 0-0 draw at Reggina in Serie A on Saturday.

The Sicilian side are third on 39 points, 12 behind leaders Inter Milan and three adrift of AS Roma.

Inter host Fiorentina on Sunday while Roma travel to Livorno.

Third from bottom Reggina, handed an 11-point penalty after a match-

fixing scandal in the close season, kept Palermo quiet for most of the game.

The nearest the visitors came to scoring was in the 66th minute when a corner dropped kindly for defender Christian Zaccardo, who blasted a shot narrowly over the bar.

Atalanta climbed to fourth on 27 points after two late goals earned a 3-1 win at bottom club Ascoli.—MNA/Reuters

Russian WBA heavy-weight world champion Nikolai Valuev, right, hits American challenger Jameel McCline, during their WBA Heavyweight World Championship fight in Basel, Switzerland, on 20 Jan, 2007.—INTERNET



Sundance Abu Ghraib film shows America's dark side

PARK CITY (Utah), 21 Jan — When documentary film maker Rory Kennedy wanted to make a movie about why ordinary people commit extraordinary acts of evil, the images of US soldiers torturing detainees at Iraq's Abu Ghraib prison kept coming back to haunt her.

The result was "Ghosts of Abu Ghraib," one of the most talked about documentaries at this year's Sundance Film Festival and one that appeals to a public at odds with US policy on the war

in Iraq.

As Kennedy — daughter of the late Robert F Kennedy and Ethel Kennedy — interviewed soldiers and witnesses to the abuse in the fall of 2003, she concluded it was the product of a system fighting terror after the 9/11 attacks rather than a few maverick individuals. "It is not just about Abu Ghraib, it is about America and who we are as a country," Kennedy told Reuters on Saturday on the sidelines of the festival.

As a member of America's most famous political family, the award-winning filmmaker said she grew up believing the United States represented human rights and dignity.

"In the last three years, we are now a country that represents just the opposite and we are now known for torturing people," she said. "That is directly connected to the policies put into place."

Kennedy is not the only

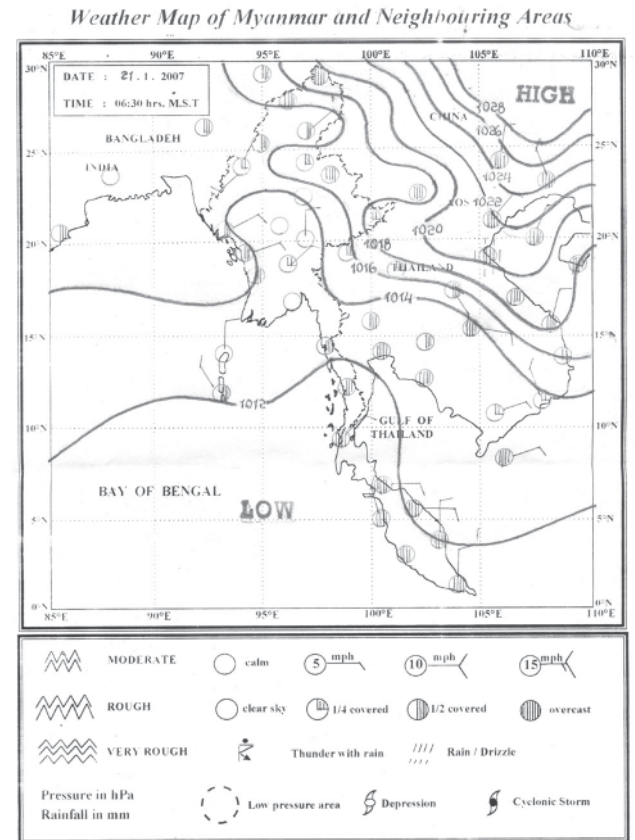
film maker at Sundance with a movie about Iraq. Her documentary is competing against "No End in Sight," a film that aims to expose a chain of critical errors, denial and incompetence in the Iraq war. And last year, the documentary "Iraq in Fragments" won some of the festival's top awards.

Kennedy called her latest film her most challenging, beginning with the emotional strain of "living day in and day out" with the now famous photographs taken by soldiers of hooded, naked and sexually humiliated prisoners.

MNA/Reuters



American's singer Norah Jones performs on a stage during a concert in Paris, France, on 20 Jan, 2007. — INTERNET



WEATHER

Sunday, 21 January, 2007

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hours MST: During the past 24 hours, weather has been partly cloudy in Kachin State, upper Sagaing and Taninthayi Divisions and generally fair in the remaining areas. Night temperatures were (3°C) to (4°C) below normal in Shan, Rakhine, Kayah, Kayin and Mon States, upper Sagaing, Mandalay, Magway, Bago and Yangon Divisions, (6°C) below normal in Chin State, (3°C) above normal in Kachin State and Taninthayi Division and about normal in the remaining areas. The significant night temperatures were Haka (-2°C), Namhsan (0°C), Pinlaung and Heho (1°C) each, Mogok (2°C), and Lashio (4°C).

Maximum temperature on 20-1-2007 was 95°F. Minimum temperature on 21-1-2007 was 61°F. Relative humidity at 09:30 hours MST on 21-1-2007 was 64%. Total sunshine hours on 20-1-2007 was (8.4) hours approx.

Rainfalls on 21-1-2007 were (nil) at Mingaladon, Kaba-Aye and Central Yangon. Total rainfalls since 1-1-2007 were (nil) at Mingaladon, Kaba-Aye and Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (9) mph from Northwest at (06:30) hours MST on 21-1-2007.

Bay inference: Weather is partly cloudy in the South Bay and generally fair in the Andaman Sea and elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until evening of 22-1-2007: Possibility of isolated rain in Kachin State and weather will be partly cloudy in Chin State, upper Sagaing and Taninthayi Divisions and generally fair in the remaining areas. Degree of certainty is 40%.

State of the sea: Seas will be slight to moderate in Myanmar waters.

Outlook for subsequent two days: Likelihood of slight increase of night temperatures in the Northern Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring areas for 22-1-2007: Fair weather.

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring areas for 22-1-2007: Fair weather.

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring areas for 22-1-2007: Fair weather.

EARTHQUAKE REPORT

(Issued at 20:30 hours MST Today)

A strong earthquake of intensity (7.3) Richter Scale with its epicentre outside Myanmar (Sulawesi Island, Indonesia) about (2,320) miles Southeast of Kaba-Aye Seismological observatory was recorded at (18) hrs (04) min (26) sec MST on 21st January 2007.



Monday, 22 January
Tune in today

- 8:30 am Brief news
- 8:35 am Music:
-The one
- 8:40 am Perspectives
- 8:45 am Music:
- 8:50 am National news/
Slogan
- 9:00 am Music:
-Daddy DJ
- 9:05 am International news
- 9:10 am Music:
-May be baby
- 1:30 pm News / Slogan
- 1:40 pm Lunch time
music:
-Loverman
-My wonderful
-Booby Dooby
baby
- 9:00 pm Spotlight on the
star : Ottawan
-Hello Rio, Sha
La La Song,
Disco, you're OK
- 9:10 pm Article
- 9:35 pm Drug/Women
Affairs
-Vocal gems
-Rome, Have you
ever been in love,
Open your heart
- 9:45 pm News / Slogan
- 10:00 pm PEL



Monday, 22 January
View on today

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SSA-S (Mein Sin) Group strongly condemns submission of draft resolution to UNSC

YANGON, 21 Jan — *Shan State Army-SSA Brigade (758) on 18 January announced that they had protested against submission of the draft resolution to the United Nations Security Council by the United States and Britain to interfere in Myanmar's internal affairs. The announcement is as follows:-*

1. SSA-S (Mein Sin) Group has carried out drug elimination tasks and regional development tasks joining in with the State in Wang Pan and Narpwe regions in Laikha Township, Shan State (South) after returning to the legal fold on 6 July 2006. Now, we have enjoyed fruitful results of the development.

2. We have known that the submission to the UNSC by the US and Britain on 12 January 2007 had been firmly rejected. The US and Britain made baseless accusations against Myanmar of posing a threat to regional security, the suppression of minorities in the east of country, human rights violations, failure to eliminate the narcotic drug production, incapability of controlling the communicable diseases and continuation of the detention of political prisoners, and proposed a draft resolution to put Myanmar issue on the UNSC.

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Myanmar Traditional Artists and Artisans Asiayon issues declaration condemning US draft resolution

YANGON, 21 Jan — *The Myanmar Traditional Artists and Artisans Asiayon issued a declaration on 16 January condemning the draft resolution submitted by the United States and Britain to the UNSC in order that they could interfere in Myanmar's internal affairs. The declaration is as follows:-*

It was all known that the draft resolution submitted to the UNSC on 12 January, 2007 was decided through voting but that was vetoed by China and Russia.

The attitude of the friendly nations towards Myanmar shown at the UNSC was obvious. The attempts some big nations made misusing the rights of UNSC proved to be a great danger not only to Myanmar but also to other nations in the world.

In this regard, the Myanmar Traditional Artists and Artisans Asiayon strongly condemns the acts of US and Britain. In addition, the association totally opposes any plans to put Myanmar's situation on the agenda of UNSC with a view to interfering in its internal affairs.

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Kareni National Peace and Development Party (KNPDP) issues declaration denouncing US draft resolution

YANGON, 21 Jan—*The Kareni National Peace and Development Party (KNPDP) issued a declaration on 17 January condemning the draft resolution submitted by the United States and Britain to the United Nations Security Council in order to interfere in Myanmar's internal affairs. The declaration is as follows:-*

1. The Kareni National Peace and Development Party (KNPDP) in Kayah State is an organization that returned to the legal fold on 23-7-1999.

2. The Union of Myanmar has seen the prevalence of peace and stability. At such a time, delegates from all walks of life are actively participating in the sessions of the National Convention that touches on the State affairs.

3. The US in collusion with Britain made attempts to put the Myanmar issue on the agenda of the UNSC. The attempts brazenly encroached upon the efforts of the entire national races.

4. This being so, we the KNPDP objected and condemned the draft resolution submitted by the US and Britain to the UNSC.

Aung Aung, Secretary, KNPDP, Kayah State

MCEA condemns US, Britain-sponsored draft resolution

YANGON, 21 Jan — *Myanmar Construction Entrepreneurs Association issued a declaration on 18 January condemning the draft resolution the US and Britain jointly submitted to the UN Security Council to interfere in Myanmar's internal affairs. The declaration is as follows:-*

America and Britain tried to put forward a draft resolution regarding the Myanmar issue to UNSC accusing her of posing a threat to international and regional security. We welcome the victory of the people from our country and the international community as the People's Republic of China and Russian Federation turned down the resolution through double veto.

We also denounce the acts of internal politicians, national traitors and internal and external destructive elements who are supporting any attempts to harm the national interest so as to seize power thorough short-cut while the US and Britain are misusing the UN for their interference in Myanmar's internal affairs. But we support endeavours to ensure peace and stability and development of the State and the people.

On behalf of the Myanmar people, we express sincere thanks to China, Russia and South Africa for their objection to the draft resolution.

Dr Khin Shwe
Chairman

Myanmar Construction Entrepreneurs Association

Homein Region condemns US, Britain-proposed draft resolution

YANGON, 21 Jan — *Homein Region Development and Welfare Group issued a declaration on 18 January condemning the draft resolution the US and Britain jointly submitted to the UN Security Council to interfere in Myanmar's internal affairs. The declaration is as follows:-*

1. The national people and various peace groups in the country have opposed the US attempt to put Myanmar on the agenda of UNSC in order to interfere in her internal affairs. Likewise, our group has denounced the US interference.

2. Amidst the universal condemnation, America and Britain in collusion with internal politicians, national traitors and expatriate insurgents accused Myanmar of continued detention of political inmates, oppression of ethnic minorities in the eastern part of the country, violation of human rights, and inability to control the spread of HIV, TB and malaria and production of narcotics. And then, they submitted a draft resolution to the

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MFF condemns acts of so-called democracy activists from home and abroad who constantly demand for interference in Myanmar's political affairs by UNSC and big nations

YANGON, 21 Jan — *Myanmar Fisheries Federation issued a declaration on 15 January condemning the draft resolution submitted by the United States and Britain to the UNSC in order to interfere in Myanmar's internal affairs. The declaration is as follows:-*

It is learnt that the draft resolution submitted by the United States and Britain to the UNSC in order to interfere in Myanmar's internal affairs was turned down on 12-1-2007.

The US, Britain, France, Italy, Ghana, Peru, Slovakia, Panama and Belgium voted for the resolution and the People's Republic of China and the Russian Federation voted against it with the use of veto. South Africa objected it and Indonesia, Congo and Qatar abstained.

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