

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

Senior General Than Shwe felicitates Brazilian President

NAY PYI TAW, 7 Sept— Senior General Than Shwe, Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar, has sent a message of felicitations to His Excellency Mr Luis Inacio Lula da Silva, President of the Federative Republic of Brazil, on the anniversary of the Independence of the Federative Republic of Brazil which falls on 7 September 2007. —MNA

True patriotism

- * It is very important for everyone of the nation regardless of the place he lives to have strong Union Spirit.
- * Only Union Spirit is the true patriotism all the nationalities will have to safeguard.

Myanmar make glittering start with 3-0 win over Singapore in AFF Women's Championship

YANGON, 6 Sept— A ceremony to open the AFF Women's Championship 2007, hosted by Myanmar for the first time, was held at Youth Training Centre (Thuwunna), here, at 3 pm today.

Present at the opening ceremony were Chairman of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Maj-Gen Hla Htay Win, Daw Khin Thet Htay, wife of Lt-Gen Myint Swe of the Ministry of Defence, Daw Mar Mar Wai, wife of the Commander of Yangon Command, Chairman of Myanmar Olympic Committee Minister for Sports Brig-Gen Thura Aye Myint, Vice-Chairman of MOC Mayor Brig-Gen Aung Thein Lin, members of MOC and their wives, President of Central Work Committee Daw Aye Aye and patrons of Myanmar (See page 7)



Commander Maj-Gen Hla Htay Win and Minister Brig-Gen Thura Aye Myint greet players before the first match of AFF Women's Championship. — NLM

Interference of US and Britain in Myanmar's political affairs—I

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The Bush policy is worse than the Clinton policy. He declared the policy after the 9/11 attack. The policy is characterized by three points. The first point is that the US would take pre-emptive strike against any nation whenever the US security is under threat. The second point is that the US would remove the governments of the nations which do not conform to the American democracy norms and try to introduce the American democracy norms there. The third point is that the US would carry out the first two points alone if it does not receive the support and cooperation of the international organizations such as the United Nations and its allies.

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

PERSPECTIVES

Friday, 7 September, 2007

Work hard in harmony for discipline-flourishing democracy

The government, in pursuit of the building of a discipline-flourishing democratic nation, is making sustained efforts and enhancing the value of the Union and the national interests in various sectors.

Now, the National Convention, the first and the most primary one among the steps for democratic transition, has been convened successfully. It has adopted the fundamental principles and detailed basic principles to be included in the forthcoming State Constitution.

The 1947 constitution and the 1974 constitution Myanmar practised in the past are no longer consistent with the prevailing conditions of the nation, so a new State constitution has to be written. The delegates gave priority to the interests of the Union in holding discussions at the National Convention, thereby achieving in fruitful results.

Nonetheless, certain self-centered groups are manufacturing slanderous news to mislead the people into misunderstanding the National Convention. In this context, the people have to be aware that some are criticizing the fundamental principles particularly designed to vest rights in national races.

The entire people are to oppose such destructive acts, interference, and activities designed to make political gains, and to see in harmony that the nation's transitional process will not deviate from the national cause. The people including National Convention delegates therefore have to work hard in concert with national outlook to exercise discipline-flourishing democracy in implementing the steps for transition to democracy.

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People's Desire

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

Commander, minister look into Shweli Hydropower project

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Sept — Patron of Shan State (North) Union Solidarity and Development Association Chairman of Shan State (North) Peace and Development Council Commander of North-East Command Maj-Gen Aung Than Htut and Joint Secretary-General of USDA Minister for Electric Power No 1 Col Zaw Min met with executives of Muse District/Township

USDAs and departmental officials at Shweli Yeiktha in Muse on 1 September.

On 2 September, the commander and the minister together with officials inspected progress of construction of Shweli Hydropower Project in Namhkam Township. They heard reports on progress of construction of the project and future task presented by officials and President Mr Huang Guangming of YUPD Co of the People's Republic of China and gave necessary instructions. Director-General U Aung Koe Shwe of Hydropower Projects Implementation Department made a supplementary report.

On completion, the project will generate 4,022 million kwh annually. The whole project has completed 65.75 per cent. — MNA

Town plan to be drawn to upgrade Nay Pyi Taw's municipal area

NAY PYI TAW, 6 Sept — Minister for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs Col Thein Nyunt today called for drawing a town plan to upgrade towns in Nay Pyi Taw's municipal area.

At a meeting held at the ministry here, the minister also stressed the need for equitable development of towns in the municipal area of Nay Pyi Taw.

The secretary and members of Nay Pyi Taw Development Affairs Committee, chairmen of Nay Pyi Taw Pinyinana, Nay Pyi Taw Lewe, Nay Pyi Taw Tatkon township peace and development councils and officials concerned attended the meeting which was held to discuss matters related to upgrading the towns.

At the meeting, a member of the Nay Pyi

Taw DAC reported to the minister on construction of roads and bridges in Nay Pyi Taw Pinyinana, development tasks in Nay Pyi Taw Tatkon and dredging drains in Nay Pyi Taw Lewe.

Those present at the meeting took part in the discussion and reported on requirements for development of the towns. — MNA

Foreign Minister sends felicitations to Brazil

NAY PYI TAW, 7 Sept — U Nyan Win, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Union of Myanmar, has sent a message of felicitations to His Excellency Mr Celso Luiz Numes Amorim, Minister of External Relations of the Federative Republic of Brazil, on the anniversary of the Independence of the Federative Republic of Brazil which falls on 7 September 2007. — MNA

CEC member tours Sagaing, Monywa

YANGON, 5 Sept — CEC member of the Union Solidarity and Development Association Minister for Sports Brig-Gen Thura Aye Myint on 1 September met with executives and organizers of Myinmu Township USDA and presented one computer and laser printer worth K 700,000 to Sagaing Division USDA and longyis to Township USDA through officials.

The CEC member attended the ceremony to donate foodstuff and necessary assistance to inmates of Monywa Jail. He presented one TV set, one DVD

player, foodstuff, journals and sports equipment to the jail. Local well-wishers also donated foodstuff and traditional medicines to the inmates through officials.

In the evening, the CEC member met secretaries and executives of district USDAs at the hall of North-West Command Headquarters.

On 3 September, the CEC member heard matters related to development tasks reported by Division USDA Secretary U Soe Soe and gave necessary instructions. — MNA



Mayor Col Thein Nyunt meeting with officials of Nay Pyi Taw Development Committee. — MNA

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Australia urges US to offer farm concessions

SYDNEY, 5 Sept— US President George W Bush should use a meeting with Asia-Pacific leaders this week to offer cuts in US farm subsidies to help push for a new global trade deal, Australia's Trade Minister said on Tuesday.

World Trade Organization (WTO) negotiations will resume in Geneva this week to discuss draft texts aimed at ending a global trade talks deadlock between developed and developing nations, over protection for agriculture and manufactured goods.

Australia, which is hosting the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) forum summit,

expects Bush and fellow APEC leaders to issue a clear and a strong statement in support of an eventual WTO agreement that aims to boost global trade and lift millions out of poverty.

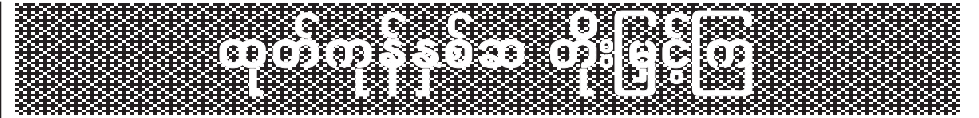
"We would like to see the US make a positive step towards reducing its farm support and that would send a very powerful signal to the rest of the world," Australian Trade Minister Warren Truss said.

Poorer nations led by India and Brazil have publicly faulted Europe and the United States for not offering enough in the nearly six-year-old talks in exchange for opening

up their industrial sectors.

Truss said APEC, which accounts for nearly half of world trade, could make a difference.

The Doha Round, named after the Qatari capital where negotiations were launched in November 2001, were first meant to wrap up by the end of 2004. The talks have struggled to overcome many countries' resistance to open their farm and manufacturing sectors to more competition.— MNA/Reuters



Chinese Vice-President Zeng Qinghong (R) meets with Truong Tan Sang, member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Vietnam, in Beijing, China, on 5 Sept, 2007. —XINHUA

Reveler injured in shooting at West Indian parade in New York

NEW YORK, 5 Sept—A reveler was shot twice in the leg at the West Indian Day parade in Brooklyn, New York, on Monday, and three suspects have been arrested, police said.

The 26-year-old man remains in a stable condition after being shot at about 4 pm (2000 GMT) Monday during the 40th anniversary of the parade.

The West Indian parade is one of the largest parades in the city, and usually runs from about eight o'clock in the morning to six in the afternoon.

The parade's traditions date back thousands of years to African culture but its current is form based on the carnival in

Trinidad. Governor Eliot Spitzer, Mayor Michael Bloomberg, and Senator Charles Schumer attended the event along with thousands of paradegoers in outlandish costumes.

Some floats carried revelers wearing giant swan costumes. Others wore masks, feathers and elaborate head pieces.

MNA/Xinhua

Six US soldiers killed in Iraq

BAGHDAD, 5 Sept—A car bomb killed at least 13 people yesterday in a Shi'ite part of Baghdad, and the US command announced the deaths of six more American soldiers. At least 44 Iraqis were killed or found dead nationwide yesterday, according to police reports. The toll marked an uptick in the daily carnage as President George W Bush prepares for a showdown in Congress over the future of the US mission.

Three of the American soldiers were killed and two were wounded after their Humvee was hit on Tuesday with an explosively formed penetrator. Two other US soldiers were killed and another wounded in an eastern section of Baghdad yesterday during combat operations, the military said. Another soldier was killed during fighting in western Baghdad.—Internet

Knee pain may signal lung cancer It could give an early warning and improve treatment success, researchers say

ROME, 5 Sept—Heavy smokers with knee arthritis may be experiencing an early sign of a difficult-to-treat lung cancer, research shows.

Researchers at Prato Hospital in Italy reviewed the case files of 296 patients with inflammation in one knee between 2000 and 2005.

In just under 2 percent of these patients, the mild knee arthritis was accompanied by non-small cell lung cancer. All patients were middle-aged men who had been heavy smokers for most of their lives. Once the cancer tissue was surgically removed, the knee pain cleared up as well.

About 85 percent of all lung cancers are non-small cell lung cancer, according to the American Cancer Society. Unless it is caught early, non-small cell lung cancer is difficult to treat. It spreads to the bones in one in five cases and is well advanced by the time it is diagnosed in half of all cases.—Internet



A model shows a creation by Taito Yamaguchi at the 2007 New Designer Fashion Grand Prix in Tokyo on 5 Sept, 2007. —INTERNET

Eight killed in traffic accidents in LA

LOS ANGELES, 5 Sept— At least eight people were killed in traffic crashes in the Los Angeles area during the first 60 hours of the Labour Day weekend, authorities said on Monday.

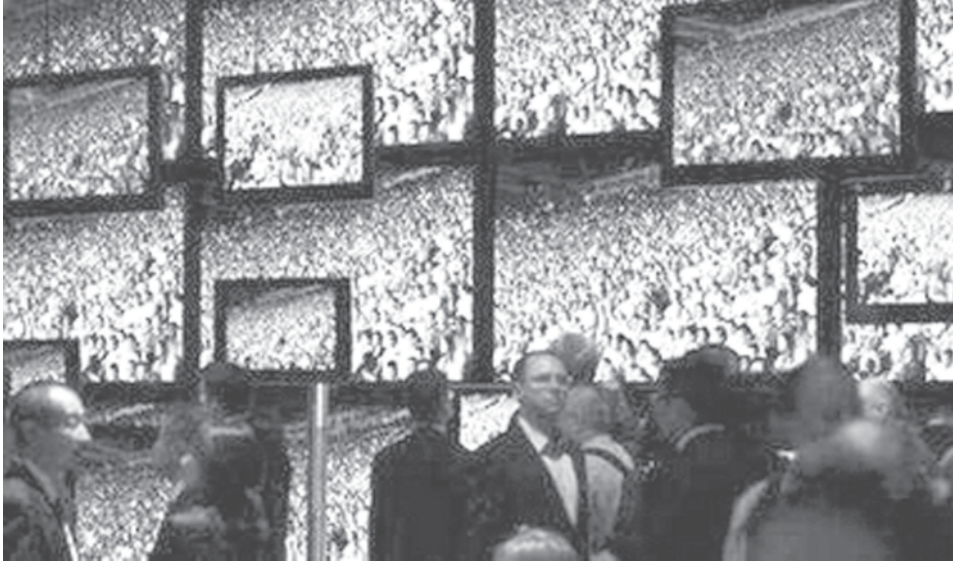
The casualties doubled the number during the same period a year ago, the California Highway Patrol (CHP) reported.

The US Labour Day falls on 3 September.

MNA/Xinhua



A girl climbs onto a truck during the evacuation of an area flooded by Hurricane Felix in the outskirts of San Pedro Sula, in northeastern Honduras, on 5 Sept, 2007. —INTERNET



Visitors walk past flat screen televisions at an exhibition stand of the IFA 2007 consumer electronics fair in Berlin on 31 Aug, 2007. —INTERNET

Suicide bombers kill 25, wound 70 in Pakistan

RAWALPINDI (Pakistan), 5 Sept— Two suicide bombers struck near the heart of the Pakistani military on Tuesday, killing 25 people and wounding 70, many of them Defence Ministry staff on their way to work in the city of Rawalpindi.

The blasts come at a time of rising militant violence and deepening political uncertainty in Pakistan, with the Army chief and President, General Pervez Musharraf, preparing to try to secure a new term and his opponents vowing to end his rule.

The government dismissed speculation the blasts could lead to declaration of an emergency and postponement

of presidential and parliamentary elections due in coming weeks and months.

There was no claim of responsibility but the Interior Ministry said evidence pointed to al-Qaeda-linked militants who are battling security

forces near the Afghan border.

One bomb blew up a bus carrying Defence Ministry staff about a kilometre (half a mile) from Army headquarters, said military spokesman Major-General Waheed Arshad. —MNA/Reuters



Tourists watch the spewing of the Baotu Spring in Jinan, capital of east China's Shandong Province, on 5 Sept, 2007. —INTERNET

Landslide kills five in western Nepal

KATHMANDU, 5 Sept— At least five people were killed in separate landslides that occurred in remote parts of western Nepal within the last 24 hours, reported the local media house's website nepalnews.com on Tuesday.

Three people of a family died in remote Ruku Village Development Committee (VDC) of Kalikot District, situated some 400 kilometres west of the capital city Kathmandu, Monday night after their house was swept away by landslide triggered by the incessant rainfall.

The landslide has also caused serious damage to more than 10 houses in the locality, reports said.

The Nepal Army personnel from a nearby barracks had left for the site to carry out rescue operations.

Similarly, two persons were killed in a landslide that hit Juthapauwa VDC of Palpa District, some 175 kilometres west of Kathmandu, also on Monday.

Those killed by the landslide have been identified as the local resident Asmita Kunwar and her five-year-old daughter.

MNA/Xinhua

Russia hopes to convince US of Azerbaijan of radar plan

MOSCOW, 5 Sept— Moscow voiced hope on Monday that a visit by US military experts to a radar station in Azerbaijan will convince Washington the facility is a realistic alternative to a planned US missile shield in Europe. Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov said he believed Washington could be convinced to back Russia's suggestion that both countries should share data from the Qabala radar station in Azerbaijan which is now leased to Moscow.

The counter-offer from Russian President Vladimir Putin was tabled to US President George W

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Eurostar targets London-Paris train speed record

PARIS, 5 Sept— Eurostar plans to set a Paris to London rail speed record on Tuesday on the first train to use UK's long-awaited high speed track at over 186 miles (299.3 kilometres) per hour.

The service carrying journalists and officials from Paris Gare du Nord will make its inaugural run down 68 miles of British track known as High Speed 1, arriving for the first time in London's St Pancras International station rather than the existing Waterloo terminus.

The official switch to St Pancras takes place on

14 November, and the station will eventually link with the site of the 2012 Olympics at Stratford in east London.

The journey time will be cut from the usual 2 hours 35 minutes to 2 hours 15 minutes on the new route.

"But we're hoping to do it even quicker on that first run," said a spokesman.

Eurostar carried its first passengers in 1994 after the delayed opening of the 15-billion-US-dollar Channel Tunnel.

But while trains have cruised swiftly across France on high speed track at up to 186 miles per hour,

they have been forced to throttle back on the British side where they mingle with commuter services heading in and out of London.

"The High Speed 1 timetable will for the first time enable UK business travellers to reach the centres of Paris and Brussels before 9 am, ready for a full day's work," Eurostar Chief Executive Richard Brown told people at a reception in Paris late on Monday.

"Leisure passengers will benefit from later evening departures, allowing them to stay later on their visits," he added.

MNA/Reuters

Russia reports 3rd H5N1 bird flu outbreak in 2007

MOSCOW, 5 Sept— Russia on Tuesday reported its third outbreak this year of the deadly H5N1 strain of bird flu after 410 birds died on a poultry farm in the country's south, but the growing poultry sector is set to withstand the scare.

Another 414 birds were culled and strict quarantine measures were in place at the farm in the Krasnodar Region after local laboratory tests confirmed the presence of the virus in dead birds, Russia's animal and plant health watchdog said.

"It's serious enough to bring in strict measures, including quarantine, to make sure it doesn't spread," Alexei Alexeyenko, spokesman for the Rosselkhoz-nadzor agency, said.

"An investigation is being carried out to determine the source of the infection." Russia's second outbreak of 2007 occurred in February, when several cases in towns around Moscow were traced to the capital's best-known pet market. Russia expects to boost poultry meat output 16 per cent this year to about 1.8 million tons, cutting the share of imports in domestic consumption. — MNA/Reuters



A labourer works at a ham-processing factory in Xuanwei, southwest China's Yunnan Province on 5 Sept, 2007. —INTERNET

ECONOMIC NEWS

APEC says funds provided to promote eco, technical cooperation

SYDNEY, 5 Sept—More funds have been provided by Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) members to support the regional economic and technical cooperation, an APEC official said here on Tuesday.

“The fund is important for the members,” Lius Quesada, chair of APEC’s Senior Officials Meeting Steering Committee on Economic and Technical Cooperation, told reporters in releasing the committee’s 2007 report.

According to the report, the APEC Secretariat signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU)

with China and the United States in 2007 to help developing economies in their efforts to enhance development and prosperity.

Under the MoU, the two countries are respectively to contribute two million US dollars and 800,000 US dollars over the next three years to the APEC Support Fund (ASF), the report said, adding that the ASF funded 30 economic and technical capacity-building projects in 2007.

It said that the projects covered those to help develop human capital, to strengthen economic infrastructure, to facilitate

technology and to harness technologies for the future. APEC has recently set up various mechanisms to encourage economic and technical cooperation among the member economies, according to the report. The 21-member regional economic cooperation forum, which was founded in 1989, is holding its annual Leaders Week in Sydney, Australia, from 2-9 September.—MNA/Xinhua



Russian President Vladimir Putin (2nd L) walks after being welcomed by Indonesian officials upon his arrival at the Halim Perdanakusumah Airport in Jakarta. Putin arrived here with a large delegation of energy, banking and weapons magnates for a one-day visit to boost trade and economic ties with this world’s fourth-largest nation.—INTERNET

S Korean digital electronics exports up 11.8% in August

SEOUL, 5 Sept—South Korea’s digital electronics exports shot up 11.8 per cent in August from a year earlier, thanks to strong demand for semiconductors and flat panel displays, the government said Tuesday.

“The strong global economy is fuelling demand for parts that go into use for premium electronics goods,” Kim Sung-jin, head of the ministry’s digital industry team, was quoted by South Korean news agency Yonhap as saying.

The Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Energy said overseas shipments of digital electronics goods reached 11.07 billion US dollars last month, compared to 9.90 billion dollars a year earlier.

Imports also increased 11.1 per cent to 5.64 billion dollars, with the trade surplus in digital electronics climbing 12.7 per cent to 5.44 billion dollars.

MNA/Xinhua



The LAMB 2008 spring/summer collection is modelled during Fashion Week in New York, on Wednesday, 5 Sept, 2007. INTERNET

Chinese V-P closer on eco cooperation with Hungary

BEIJING, 5 Sept—Chinese Vice-Premier Hui Liangyu vowed here Monday that China will make joint efforts with Hungary to enhance mutual-beneficial cooperation on economic and trade.

Addressing a Sino-Hungarian business forum, one of the key activities of the “Hungarian Season in China”,

Hui said the two countries have conducted fruitful cooperation in political, economic, cultural and technological fields since forging diplomatic ties some 50 years ago.

Hailing the current bilateral ties as “in the best form in history”, Hui said the two-way economic and trade relations have experienced rapid growth, maintaining a good momentum on mutual investment and cooperation.

He called for Hungarian enterprises to further its research and development of Chinese market and expand its export and investment to China.

Meanwhile, the Chinese Government will encourage domestic enterprises to invest more in Hungary, said the Vice-Premier.

“The bilateral economic and trade cooperation is bound to have a bright prospect and develop in a more healthy and steady way with the joint effort of the governments and enterprises of both countries,” he said.

Hungarian Prime Minister Gyurcsany Ferenc, who arrived here Sunday for a four-day official visit, also delivered a speech at the forum.

MNA/Xinhua

Asia-Pacific coal rush worsens global warming

SYDNEY, 5 Sept—Growing dependence on cheap coal to power rapid economic growth in the Asia-Pacific could un-

dermine efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions that is blamed for harmful changes in the world’s climate, experts said on Tuesday.

Between 2001 and 2006, coal use around the world grew by an unprecedented 30 per cent. Asia, led by China, accounted for almost 90 per cent of the growth, the World Wildlife Fund (WWF) said at the launch of a climate change report in Sydney.

“The Asia Pacific Region is at a critical moment with regard to coal use, and is grappling with the difficult question of how to balance burgeoning energy needs with the well-being of the planet and local communities,” the WWF report said.

Coal, the most abundant conventional fossil fuel, is responsible for a quarter of the world’s total carbon emissions.

According to the International Energy Association, economic growth in India and China will account for 70 per cent of the increase in global coal consumption by 2030, primarily in the electricity and industrial sectors. The WWF said coal related carbon emissions increased by 31 per cent between 1990 and 2004. If left unchecked, global coal related emissions will increase by 63 per cent by 2030, compared to required greenhouse gas reductions of about 50 per cent by 2050 to keep climate change at manageable levels.—MNA/Reuters



Jorg Muller, President, Volkswagen India, poses with the new Passat during its launch function in Mumbai. Europe’s largest car maker Volkswagen on Wednesday announced the launch of its first locally assembled premium car, the Passat Sedan, in India on 5 Sept, 2007.—INTERNET



Children of the Futian Kindergarten share a big cake with their teachers at a gala to greet the upcoming Teachers' Day in Hebi, central China's Henan Province, on 4 Sept, 2007. The Teachers' Day of China falls on 10 Sept. —XINHUA

Japan, Chile agree to cooperate on tackling climate change

TOKYO, 5 Sept — Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe and visiting Chilean President Michelle Bachelet agreed on Monday to further cooperate on environment protection and climate change countermeasure.

According to a statement issued after the two leaders' talks, Japan and Chile agreed to work together on curbing greenhouse gas emissions, protecting the ozone layer, promoting clean energy and improving energy efficiency. Japanese media regarded the statement as new support garnered by Abe for his "Cool Earth

50" vision, which proposes halving global carbon dioxide emissions by 2050.

Abe and Bachelet, Chile's first female President who is on her four-day official visit to Japan through Wednesday, also lauded the taking effect of their bilateral free trade agreement (FTA), which will eliminate tariffs on

92 per cent of the bilateral trade by value over 10 years.

In a joint statement signed by the two leaders, the FTA, which is the fourth of its kind for Tokyo, was described as "one of the most important instruments" concluded between the two countries in their 110 years of relations.—MNA/Xinhua

Indonesian foreign tourist arrival up in July

JAKARTA, 5 Sept— The number of foreign tourist arrival in Indonesia in July increased by 16.31 per cent to 423,500 people, compared with the same period last year, the National Statistic Bureau said here Monday.

The number of the tourist coming to Bali Island, the centre of Indonesian tourist industry, increased to 171,700 people in July, up 33.49 per cent compared with the same month last year, said the head of the bureau, Rusman Heriawan.

The travel ban from the European Union not to allow Indonesian airlines to enter its territory at the beginning of the month did not affect the industry.

"From our record in July, the number of foreign tourist arrivals from European countries

did not decrease, but it increased compared with previous month," said Heriawan at a Press conference.

The European Union issued the ban as it considered that Indonesian airlines lack safety standard, following the string of air accidents since the beginning of this year.

The ban has been lifted.

The spread of the avian influenza virus to Bali Island, that killed two people, did not affect the industry, either, Indonesian Tourism Minister Jero Wacik has said. "So far, there is no need to worry. The tourists keep coming," said Wacik. Indonesia targets six millions foreign tourist arrivals this year.

MNA/Xinhua

Microwave popcorn consumers risk lung cancer

BEIJING, 5 Sept— Daily exposure to the fumes from buttery flavouring in microwave popcorn may lead to lung cancer for consumers, according to a warning letter to federal regulators from a doctor at a leading lung research hospital. Dr Cecile Rose, a pulmonary specialist at

Denver's National Jewish Medical and Research Center, has written to federal agencies to say he and colleagues believe they have the first case of a consumer who developed lung disease from the fumes of microwaving popcorn several times a day for years.

"We cannot be sure that this patient's exposure to butter flavoured microwave popcorn from daily heavy preparation has caused his lung disease," cautioned Dr Cecile Rose. "However, we have no other plausible explanation."

Written in July, the letter refers to a potentially fatal disease commonly called popcorn lung that has been the subject of lawsuits by hundreds of



popcorn

workers at food factories exposed to chemicals used for flavouring.

In response to Rose's finding, the Flavour and Extract Manufacturers Association issued a statement Tuesday recommending that its members reduce "to the extent possible" the amount of diacetyl in butter flavourings they make.

It noted that diacetyl is approved for use in flavours by the federal Food and Drug Administration.

Internet



The traditional utility devices are displayed in Khaty Anthropology Museum in Russia. XINHUA

Malaysia launches first all-news radio station

KUALA LUMPUR, 5 Sept— Malaysia launched the country's first all-news and information radio station here on Monday.

Radio 24, run by the Malaysian national news agency Bernama, was launched by Malaysian Information Minister Zainuddin Maidin at a ceremony here.

The radio, based at Bernama's head office building, will operate 24 hours a day and be available initially around the capital city here, but is expected to be expanded nationwide in the future, Bernama said.

Malaysian Prime Minister Abdullah Ahmad Badawi sent a message to congratulate Bernama on its launch of the country's first all-news radio station on Monday, saying the move was consistent with the government's aspiration of building a knowledge society.

MNA/Xinhua

British motorway coach crash injures 30

LONDON, 5 Sept — Thirty people were hurt, six of them seriously, when a National Express coach overturned at Newport Pagnell service station as it was leaving the M1 motorway on Monday, police said.

National Express said the coach was its 777 service travelling from Birmingham to Stansted Airport with 33 passengers on board.

Television pictures showed the coach on its side at the entrance to the service station. Thames

Valley Police said the coach had clipped a kerb and rolled onto its side at around 4 pm. The injured have been taken to hospitals in Milton Keynes, Northampton and Oxford. —MNA/Reuters

A black swan couple and their fledglings are seen in the zoo of Wuhan, central China's Hubei Province, on 4 Sept, 2007. It is a rare case that black swans bred in Autumn. —XINHUA



Myanmar makes glittering start with...

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Women's Sport Federation, Dean of the Diplomatic Corps Cambodian Ambassador to Myanmar Mr Hul Phany, Ambassadors of ASEAN countries to Myanmar, Charge d'Affaires, diplomats and their wives, President U Zaw Zaw of Myanmar Football Federation and executives, departmental officials, guests and fans. First,

students per-formed dances to the accompaniment of the band and singer Zaw Win Htut sang a song along with the dances of national races. Next, Commander Maj-Gen Hla Htay Win and Minister Brig-Gen Thura Aye Myint and Director-General U Thaug Htaik of Sports and Physical Education Department, President U Zaw Zaw MFF, Delegate

to ASEAN Football Federation Mr Juan Miqueal, G Romualdez and Mr Dato Yap Nyim Keong of Asian Football Confederation greeted the players of Myanmar and Singapore before the first match. Afterwards, the players of both teams sang their national anthems. Myanmar made a glittering start in an impressive 3-0 win over Singapore in the debut. — MNA



Lt-Gen Myint Swe of Ministry of Defence being welcomed by Military Attaché of Pakistan Col Muxammil Hussain Shah at a reception to mark Armed Forces Day of Pakistan in Yangon on 6 September 2007.

MNA



Singer Zaw Win Htut and national races entertain the audience with song and dances before AFF Women's Championship. — NLM



Myanmar striker and Singaporean defender fight for the ball. — NLM

Entries invited for World Food Day essay and poster contest

NAY PYI TAW, 4 Sept — A ceremony to mark the World Food Day for 2007 will be held at Nay Pyi Taw on 16 October. The theme for this year is "The Right to Food".

Arrangements are being made to hold essay and poster contests for the students at basis education level and to present prizes to winners in the commemorative ceremony.

The title of the contest is "The Right to Food".

A total of 19 awards will be presented in the essay contest and 13 awards at the poster contest. Any paint, paper and method can be used for the entry measuring 15 inches by 20 in the poster contest.

Further information is available Myanma Perennial Crops Enterprise under the Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation (Ph: 01-667316, 01-667375) and Department of Basic Education No 3.

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Yangon Tourist Map in circulation

YANGON, 6 Sept — Design Printing Services Co Ltd (DPS) has distributed Yangon Tourist Map (11-2007) free of charges.

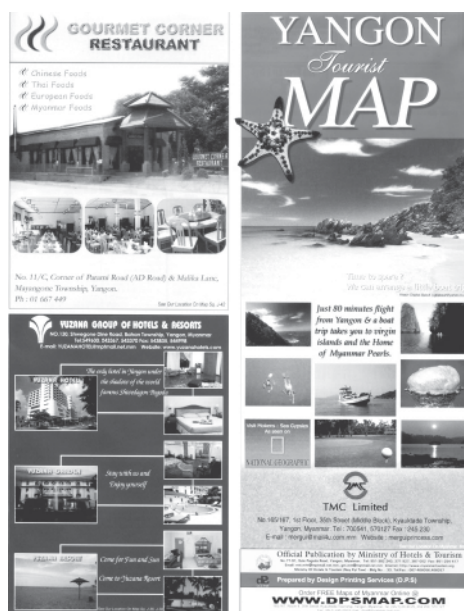
Under the arrangement of Ministry of Hotels and Tourism, Design Printing Services Co Ltd (DPS) has published various kinds of Tourist Guide Maps since 1995.

Yangon Tourist Map (11-2007) covers map of Yangon, addresses of many business services, the addresses and telephone number of international airlines in Yangon, embassies, hotels, inn, restaurants, travel & tour agencies, golf courses, medical centers, courier services, language schools, beauty spa and taxi and transport services.

The Yangon Tourist Map (11-2007) is available at travel agencies.

More information is available at DPS No-165/167, 35th street, first floor in Kyauktada Township, Yangon (Tel: 204020).

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Yangon-Mandalay market ship to leave 11 September

YANGON, 6 Sept — Under control of Cargo Transport Division of Inland Water Transport, Voy No 2 of Mya Eya market ship running between Yangon and Mandalay will depart for Mandalay from Botahtaung No 6 Jetty, here, on 11 September.

Those wishing to sell goods on aboard the ship may contact with the Cargo Transport Division on Botahtaung Market Street, Tel: 292199 and 292319, and those from other townships may contact with manager offices of IWT in Maubin, Danubyu, Hinthada, Myanaung, Kyangin, Pyay, Thayet, Aungran and Magway townships. — MNA

Thailand hammer Laos 13-1

YANGON, 6 Sept — The second match of the AFF Women's Championship 2007 continued at Youth Training Centre in Thuwunna, here, this evening.

In the match, Thai Women's Team trounced Lao Women's Team with a 13-1 result.

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Seven members quit Sagaing Township NLD

YANGON, 6 Sept — Members U Kan Oo, U Ba Hlaing, U Kauk, Daw Myint Myint Thein, U Aung Naing Thein, U Shwe Thee and U Maung Aye of Sagaing Township National League for Democracy of Sagaing Division resigned from the party of their own volition on 29 August.

They sent letters of resignation to the NLD headquarters and local authorities.

In their letters sent to Sagaing Township Multi-party Democracy General Election Subcommission, they said that they had lost interest in the acts of the party and they no longer wished to stand as members of the NLD. Hence, they resigned from the party of their own accord, they said.

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Interference of US and Britain in Myanmar's political affairs—I

Kyaw Ye Min

During the post-Cold War period, the Americans covered up their practice of neo-colonialism with the words of democracy, human rights and the fight against terrorism. They invented the new ideologies to replace the anti-Communist ideologies of the past. They interfered in the affairs of other nations applying those ideologies. The first was the Humanitarian Intervention introduced by Clinton.

According to the principle, the US and its allies had the right to take military action against a sovereign nation when the human rights and humanitarian situations deteriorated severely in the nation in question for the sake of humanitarian situation. It was stated that to do this no approval of the UN was needed and no need to respect the sovereignty of the nation in question. Based on this concept, the US-led NATO forces launched military intervention in Bosnia, Herzegovina and Kosovo.

In the US politics, the presidential race-2008 is gaining momentum. Among the topics debated most heatedly has been the US foreign policy to be adopted in the aftermath of the Bush administration. There have been growing dissent and opposition to the US foreign policy of the Bush administration characterized by the blatant interference in the internal affairs of other nations on the pretexts of fighting terrorism and installing democracy.

According to the public opinion survey conducted in 50 nations by the Pew research group, even the people of the traditional allies of the US, let alone those of the third world, were beginning to accept the fact that the world peace was in danger due to the US bullies over other nations. In Britain, the people who had positive attitude towards the US stood at 83 per cent only in year 2000 but the figure was down to 56 per cent in 2006. Similarly, the percentages dropped to 39 per cent in France, 37 per cent in Germany and 23 per cent in Spain. About 30 per cent only in average of the people of the third world under survey had positive attitude towards the US.

Hence, the US political world is concentrating on the discussions on how to improve the US image. However, a review of the US history will show that it has repeatedly meddled in the internal affairs of other nations for the sake of its national interests. So, what they are brainstorming now is not to put an end to interference in others' internal affairs but they are thinking about using tricks to cover up the blunders so that the world people would accept her.

After the Second World War or during the Cold War, the US adopted the fight against Communism and control of the Soviet Union to be the tasks to serve her national interest. It adopted the Truman Doctrine and the Domino Theory in order to serve its national interest. The essence of these policies was to prevent Communism from being practised in the Third World nations and to bring down the pro-Communist governments there so that Communism would be kept at bay from those nations while installing the pro-US governments there.

In pursuit of these policies, military interventions took place in numerous nations such as Cuba, Lebanon, Dominican, Vietnam etc. In the Asian and African nations including Myanmar, the US provided aid to the rightist insurgents. In the Latin American nations like Chile, Argentina, Bolivia and so on, the rightist pro-American military officers overthrew the democratically elected governments there. During the Cold War period, the US only gave priority to the fight against Communism so it did not take into account whether a government was a democratic one or not but with emphasis on the norm—whether the latter cooperated with it or not. Hence, the US

allies included many governments under dictatorship from the Third World and it extended millions of dollars in aid to such nations. However, the Cold War period was characterized by bi-polarization or the period of two super powers or the rivalry between the West bloc led by the US and the East bloc led by the Soviet Union. Under the circumstances, the US was not in a position to interfere in the internal affairs of other nations at will; it had to consider the possible reaction from the Soviet Union.

At the end of the Cold War or after the collapse of the Soviet Union, however, the US has become the sole super power or the Uni-polar. Despite the disappearance of the Soviet Union from the world political arena, there remain the US interests. The US needs to protect its national interests and expand its influence. It has to continue to expand its influence in order that there may not emerge powerful nations similar to the Soviet Union capable of challenging it. This is its principal interest. During the Cold War period, the US administrations had been able to trick the American public and the world as a whole and expand their influence citing the threat of Communism. Through this trick, they had been able to interfere in the internal affairs of other nations.

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However, the Americans employed the double standard policy in interfering in the internal affairs of others on the pretext of humanitarian grounds. For instance, they refused to take effective action in the case of Palestine people who were subject to deteriorating humanitarian conditions and they failed to take any move in the case of Rwanda in Africa where fierce fightings went on among the ethnic groups in which hundreds of thousands killed. It was because it had little interest there. Obviously, the Clinton policy, too, wore

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the human rights mask to cover up the American intention to expand its influence.

The Bush policy is worse than the Clinton policy. He declared the policy after the 9/11 attack. The policy is characterized by three points. The first point is that the US would take pre-emptive strike against any nation whenever the US security is under threat. The second point is that the US would remove the governments of the nations which do not conform to the American democracy norms and try to introduce the American democracy norms there. The third point is that the US would carry out the first two points alone if it does not receive the support and cooperation of the international organizations such as the United Nations and its allies. Bush's policy is to brazenly and openly materialize the US neo-colonialism. The first prey of his preemptive strike policy is Iraq. The US invaded Iraq with the accusation that the country possessed a large number of weapons of mass destruction (WMD). But no WMD has been found in Iraq, and everyone knows what is happening in Iraq now. So, I do not wish to present the matter in detail. What I am going to present in this article is about the nations facing interferences not through military means but through diplomatic, economic and mass media means.

The US has been practising transformational diplomacy during the Bush administration. Concerning the diplomacy, Condoleza Rice thundered to end the 350-year-old tradition of respecting sovereignty of nations. She pointed out the incident in which al-Qaeda attacked the US after taking foothold in Afghanistan under the rule of Taliban, saying that the US could not ignore a nation's internal situation even if it seemed unconcerned with the US. According to new US policy, its diplomats will have to make broader contacts with not only the governments of the respective countries but also with local activists to explain the standard and norms of US democracy till they are understood and accepted; in the countries designated by the US to make policy changes, the US diplomats should cooperate with the activists and exert pressures on the respective governments till they come to accept and follow the US-standardized norms; if necessary, the US diplomats will fuel the activities till there is a regime change. Those are the essence of US transformational diplomacy.

In implementing the transformational diplomacy, in addition to US State Department, the government-related institutions such as USAID, National Endowment for Democracy (NED), International Republican Institute (IRI) and National Democratic Institute for International Affairs and conservative organizations like Freedom House are also taking part in the

task of brazenly and openly interfering in the affairs of other countries. The said institutions and organizations are sponsoring training courses, talks, exhibitions, competitions, and scholarships with embassy-run US Centres as the base in organizing youths. Whenever a mass movement was required in a certain country, those organizations provided assistance to youth activities and trained them to act in accordance with the Gene Sharp's method of opposing a government. Actually, transformational diplomacy is an underground anti-government movement which misuses diplomatic impunity.

The US is worried that more regional powers may emerge in Europe, Asia, Middle East etc and challenge the US interest. In this regard, it is practising transformational diplomacy for the governments under US influence to grab power in the countries lying in the strategic locations to contain regional powers and potential regional powers. As the anti-government groups are applying Gene Sharp's methods using specific colours or symbols, media have named them "Colour Revolution".

The colour revolutions such as orange, pink and rose revolutions in Balkans, Serbia, Georgia, Ukraine and Kajistan in Central Asia and Lebanon in the Middle East are the anti-government movements resulting from US transformational diplomacy. The type of US interference is the same as that in all those revolutions. The US provided various kinds of assistance to pro-US opposition parties; at the same time, the US organized youths and groups to form steering organizations through US centres for anti-government activities. For example, the US embassies formed active anti-government organizations such as Otpor (Resistance) in Serbia, Kmara (Enough) in Georgia, and Pora (It's Time) in Ukraine. In the end, **political parties under US influence and various groups that were formed under US sponsorship joined hands to overthrow the government through public protest and violence. The US has named such activities as democracy activities and provided diplomatic support to them. The US also imposes sanctions on the government concerned if necessary.**

Myanmar that lies in the strategic place of geopolitics in Asia has faced US interferences under various forms throughout history. Now, I will present the brazen and open US interferences in Myanmar at present.

The US-Myanmar relations began in 1782-1819 during the time of King Bodaw Phaya (Padon). It was during the reign of King Mindon that the US-Myanmar relations were strengthened to the level of exchanging goodwill messages between the king and the then US president. When Myanmar regained independence, US President Truman sent felicitations to Myanmar

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The Kuomintang issue affected the bilateral relations adversely, and the Myanmar government refused all the assistance the US government was providing for it. From that time on, the US government has been finding fault with Myanmar, interfering in the internal affairs, and attacking the country. Apparently, the US is absolutely desperate to gain political domination over Myanmar and feels embarrassed due to the fact that Myanmar is considerably tenacious in this regard.

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and made arrangements to provide immediate economic assistance to the country. But later, the US began to show its real image and there were reasons to believe so.

During the Cold War, the US the leader of NATO was applying various means in trying to stop communism from spreading in the East. According to the assessment that Myanmar's neighbouring big communist country could attack Indochina via Shan State and Thailand, the US decided to gather the retreating Kuomintang troops and send them to Shan State in Myanmar to take positions as possible as they can. The US openly provided assistance to Kuomintang troops that were intruding into Myanmar territory. The US never considers any one when it is for its own interest. It is the US's copyright policy.

In late 1952, Kuomintang troops with much reliance on the US even hatched a plot to occupy Myanmar, marching en masse towards the west through the Thanlyin River. It was known globally that in March 1953, Myanmar government lodged a complaint with the United Nations about the Kuomintang troops' invasion of Myanmar, presenting compelling evidences. It is the US government that showed no propriety and perpetrated a variety of acts flagrantly although it was flushed with embarrassment in the international community. After all, the Myanmar Tatmadaw possessing 12 fine traditions managed to expel the intruders from the Myanmar territory in 1961.

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By the way, I would like to present the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) of the US. It was established in 1947 and is based in Washington with more than 20,000 intelligence staff. Some former US Presidents used to serve in the CIA. Actually, the CIA is the largest intelligence agency in the world that is variously interfering in the internal affairs of many other countries to obtain political and economic domination in the interests of the US. The incident relating to Kuomintang troops occurred in Myanmar at the instigation of the CIA.

Disguising themselves variously, CIA staff are deployed in almost all world nations. In a clever way, the CIA keeps its followers in the country concerned. It deals and makes contacts with local people from various strata of life that oppose against the government of the country. Then, it resorts to all possible ways and means to keep its followers, explaining that it is working in the interests of the country. The national axe-handles were said, instead of conducting thorough reviews, to trust in the situation in which the US, thousands of miles away from the country, showed its goodwill by providing assistance. How surprising it is! I wonder what incentives the CIA gave to them and how it won their trust.

The CIA did meddle in the Myanmar's internal affairs. American missionary doctor Seagrave, who was also a staff member of the CIA and who visited Myanmar after 1948, faced legal action taken by the government for his aiding and abetting Kachin insurgent captain Naw Hsai. National traitor expatriate U Law Yon worked as a spy of the CIA in Myanmar and ex-US Ambassadors to Myanmar Sea Ball, Hamel Junior and Burton Levin were CIA high-ranking officials. According to the book "Who's who in CIA" published in East Berlin in 1968, up to that time, there were 44 CIA officials who served under the protection of the US Embassy to Myanmar.

Between 1952 and 1967, it set up three separate radio stations in Shan State, and there a special CIA training centre was run under the supervision of CIA spy William Yan.

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Through the CIA, the US government provided a large number of manpower, funds and arms for anti-government movements of U Nu, who claimed himself to be an expatriate, and his associate U Law Yon, formation of parliamentary democracy party and trips to London and New York, and the military project launched in Bangkok to form Pyichit Lut Lat Yay military force. However, the US investments did not yield any fruit due to U Nu's return to the nation under the amnesty granted by the government in 1980.

In addition, Major Aung, Yangon Ba Swe, U Thu Wai, Zarli Maw, Myaungmya Ba Swe and some members of the expatriates group returned to the nation. However, some remnant expatriates remained in the US and some western countries. Dr Kyaw Win, Tin Maung Win, Bilar Rashid, Ye Kyaw Thu, Maung Aung and Wendy Law Yon of the remnant expatriates group formed the CRDB in 1987 with American Senator Hackel, Robert Nathan, Professor Joseph Silverstein and Luis J Wallinski as members of the board of advisers. In the 1988 unrest, the CRDB tried to overthrow the Myanmar Socialist Programme government with the assistance it was getting from internal ex-renegades, ex-politicians, and the US and British embassies through the DAB.

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So-called '88' generation students and NLD released announcement the protest was a non-violent ...

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and Chairman of Township Sangha Nayaka Committee Sayadaw U Tejobhasa at the monastery at about 9.50 am. At the time, about 50 monks threw stones at four departmental cars that were parked outside the monastery and tried to overturn the vehicles. Windscreens and window glasses of the cars were broken. The monks stopped throwing stones at about 10.35 am thanks to the request of Presiding Sayadaw U Sumangala at Alekyaungtaik monastery. The protestors demanded officials to bring out Sayadaw U Tejobhasa and hand over their GSM phones to them. Although officials entrusted their phones to the protesters, the latter demanded the former again to bring out Sayadaw U Tejobhasa and pounded and torched the cars they had already overturned. The protesters dispersed at about 1.30 pm.

The people who had heard or witnessed the destruction and burning of cars said that officials supplicated on religious matters to the Sayadaws to prevent the outbreak of similar incidents occurred yesterday, undermining of peace and stability and occurrence of unnecessary problems; and that the response should be through peaceful means; that the protesters should not perpetrate any destructive acts including setting

automobiles on fire; that they perceived that so-called '88' generation students and NLD claimed by releasing announcements, expressing words, and informing foreign media that the protest staged on the pretext of fuel price hikes was a non-violent one, however, their activities in practice were inconsistent with their words as they came to commit destructive acts; that their activities were designed to create public outrage in order to intentionally incite a mass protest like "88" unrest; that they did not like high fuel prices and wished consumer prices to be brought down; that any attempts to incite "88" unrest-like situation were absolutely unacceptable to them; and that they wished a fall in commodity prices but would have to prevent any forms of activities designed to create a situation under the pretext of high commodity prices in which unrest and anarchism were to break out nationwide like "88" unrest.

The government has got information that external anti-government groups are giving directives and providing various sorts of assistance to internal anti-government groups to stir up mass demonstrations and instability. And it is learnt that the people will not accept any acts to destabilize the nation and harm their interests and are willing to prevent such destructive acts.—MNA

A&I Minister receives Vietnamese Ambassador

NAY PYI TAW, 6 Sept — Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation Maj-Gen Htay Oo received Vietnamese

Ambassador Mr Tran Van Tung at his office, here, on 4 September afternoon. Also present at the call were directors-

general and managing directors of departments and enterprises under the ministry.

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F & R Minister receives Chinese guests



Minister Maj-Gen Hla Tun receives Mr Zhong Shujun of China Development Bank and party. — F & R

NAY PYI TAW, 6 Sept — Minister for Finance and Revenue Maj-Gen Hla Tun met Vice-Chairman of China Development Bank (Yunnan Province branch) Mr Zhong Shujun and party at the minister's office, here, this evening.

They held comprehensive discussions on mutual interests.

Present at the call were Deputy Minister Col

Hla Thein Swe, Governor of the Central Bank of Myanmar U Than Nyein and officials.

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Indian delegation arrives

YANGON, 6 Sept — The Indian delegation led by Brigadier S K Kaushik of Army Higher Command Course of the Indian Armed Forces of the Republic of India arrived here by air yesterday.

They were welcomed at the Yangon International Airport by Rector of Defence Services Medical Academy Brig-Gen Ya Pyae, Indian Military Attaché to the Union of Myanmar Colonel Manoj Mukund Narvane and officials.

The Indian delegation together with officials visited National Defence College this morning. Rector of NDC Maj-Gen Mya Win gave accounts on brief history and the

activities of the NDC. Officials of Ministries of Foreign Affairs, Home Affairs and National Planning and Economic Development also explained their related tasks. Next, Maj-Gen Mya

Win and Brigadier S K Kaushik exchanged gifts. Brigadier S K Kaushik extended greetings and presented gifts to officials of respective ministries.

Next, the Indian

delegation went to Defence Services Museum and Myanma Gems Emporium. They also visited the Shwedagon Pagoda and King Zafar Shah Tomb.

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Indian delegation led by Brigadier S K Kaushik of Army Higher Command Course visits King Zafar Shah Tomb in Yangon. — MNA

Supply of power to Ngwepinle Fishery Industrial Zone supervised in Hlinethaya

YANGON, 6 Sept — Minister for Electric Power No 2 Maj-Gen Khin Maung Myint inspected supply of power from 5 mva and 33/11 kv power station to Ngwepinle Fishery Industrial Zone on the west bank of Hline River in Hlinethaya Township on 4 September.

The minister heard reports on tasks of Ngwepinle Fishery Industrial Zone Project, supply of electricity and installation of transformers presented by officials and instructed them to supervise supply of power to industrial zones in order to boost production.

At the warehouse of Power Supply Project (Southern) on Strand Road in Ahlon Township, the minister looked into storage of equipment for the project, materials for power lines and devices for the sub-power station, and gave instructions on systematic keeping of equipment and electrical devices.

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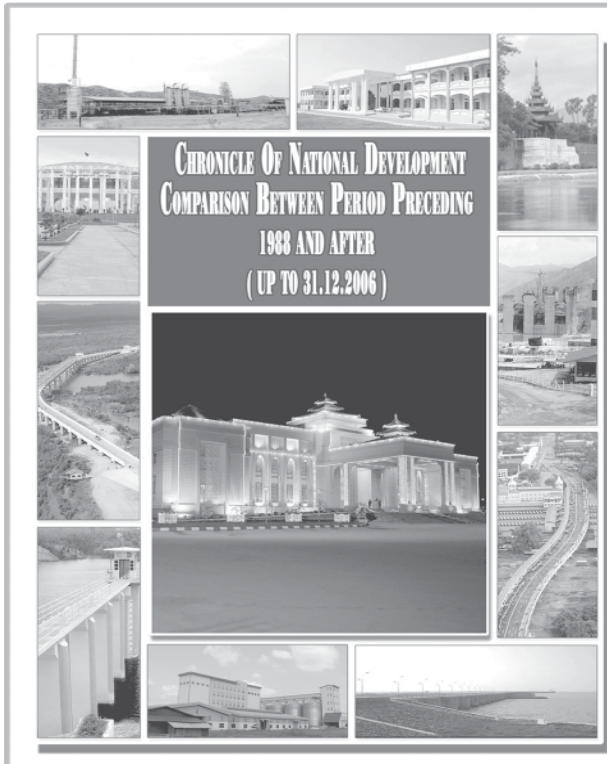
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"Human Spiderman" climbs Moscow skyscraper

MOSCOW, 6 Sept—A Frenchman dubbed the "Human Spiderman" for climbing some of the world's tallest buildings without safety ropes scaled an uncompleted skyscraper in Moscow on Tuesday.
Alain Robert says he has been arrested and fined more than 100 times for climbing skyscrapers around the world but on Tuesday Moscow's police released him after his climb once they had checked his identification papers were in order, news agencies reported.
MNA/Reuters

Nigerian company signs MoU to establish telephone company

LAGOS, 5 Sept—New Nigeria Development Company (NNDC), a Nigeria's indigenous investment company, signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on Monday in Kaduna, the capital of northern Kaduna State, with eight telecoms service providers on the establishment of its telephone company, G-TEL.
Speaking at the signing ceremony, the NNDC Managing Director, Alhaji Aliyu Alkali, said the company was going into telephony business to generate money for its activities.
NNDC, which was awarded a licence to operate a telephone company by the Nigerian Government in 2006, wanted to participate in the telephone business to make sufficient returns for its owners, Alkali said.
The NNDC boss said the company was exploring financial avenues to make it independent of its shareholders, and said the future of the country's telecoms industry was very bright.—MNA/Xinhua



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Death triggered in cancer-prone intestinal cells

HONG KONG, 5 Sept—Researchers in Singapore have worked out a way to kill intestinal stem cells that may develop into colorectal cancer, the second largest cause of cancer related deaths in western countries.
Writing in the latest issue of the journal *Cell Stem Cell*, the scientists said this potential method of cancer prevention had to do with the protein Wip1, which appears to bring down the risk of cancer when it is inactivated.
In their experiment, the researchers cross bred male mice suffering from intestinal polyps with Wip1-deficient female mice—and their offspring turned out to be relatively cancer free. Intestinal polyps can develop into colorectal cancer over time.

"Presumably they were supposed to develop cancer because they got this bad gene from the fathers, but it is not going to be working because ... (of the good thing from the mothers)," Dmitry Bulavin, principal investigator at Singapore's Institute of Molecular and Cell Biology, said in a telephone interview.
While the adult male mice each had 70 adenomas in their intestines, their offspring each had only five adenomas. Adenomas are growths in many organs which are benign at first and could progress to become malignant. Looking ahead, the scientists will work towards narrowing down the particular molecule in Wip1 that suppresses cancer.
MNA/Reuters

Vietnam import more bird flu vaccines from China

HANOI, 5 Sept—Vietnam has imported 200 million doses of bird flu vaccines for poultry from China since early this month, local newspaper *Saigon Liberation* reported Tuesday.
Of the total vaccines, 100 million doses will be used to vaccinate fowls in the southern region, and the rest in the northern and central ones, the paper quoted the Department of Animal Health under the Vietnamese Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development.
The country has so far this year vaccinated over 164 million fowls in 63 out of its 64 cities and provinces, including nearly 87.4 million chickens, over 72.8 million ducks and roughly 3.9 million white-winged ducks, said the department.
Bird flu is now hitting three communes in northern Thai Nguyen Province and the two southern provinces of Dong Thap and Tra Vinh, according to the department.
Bird flu outbreaks in Vietnam, starting in December 2003, have killed and led to the forced culling of dozens of millions of fowls in the country.—MNA/Xinhua

Pakistan, UK to strengthen defence ties

ISLAMABAD, 5 Sept—Pakistan and United Kingdom on Tuesday expressed their desire to further deepen and expand bilateral ties in divergent fields especially in the area of defence, according to a report by the *Associated Press of Pakistan* (APP).
The visiting First Sea Lord and Chief of Naval Staff of Royal Navy, Admiral Sir Jonathon Band called on the Minister for Defence of Pakistan Rao Sikandar Iqbal here on Tuesday. They discussed matters of mutual interests and stressed the need for closer cooperation between the Navies of the two countries.
MNA/Xinhua



(R-L) Fashion designer Ma Ke, director Jia Zhangke, and the production team of the documentary "Inutile," pose at the film's premiere in Venice, on 3 Sept, 2007.—INTERNET

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Secondhand smoke causes cancer in house pets

WASHINGTON, 4 Sept—Recent studies by US veterinarians show that secondhand smoke not only threat the health of nonsmokers, it can also hurt house pets such as dogs and cats, US media reported Tuesday.

“Secondhand smoke has been associated with oral cancer and lymphoma in cats, lung and nasal cancer in dogs, as well as lung cancer in birds,” said Carolynn Mac Allister, a veterinarian of Oklahoma State University.

There have been a

number of scientific papers recently that have reported the significant health threat secondhand smoke poses to pets.

A study conducted recently at Tuft College of Veterinary Medicine found a strong correlation between secondhand smoke and certain forms of cancer in cats. The number of cats with mouth cancer was higher for those animals living in smoking environments versus those felines living in a smoke-free home.

In addition, cats that

lived with smokers for five or more years had an even higher incidence of this type of oral cancer.

Malignant lymphoma is another type of cancer that cats that live with smokers have a higher risk of getting. This cancer occurs in the lymph nodes and cats are twice as likely to have this type of cancer compared to cats living in a non-smoking home. This form of cancer is fatal to three out of four cats within 12 months of developing the cancer.

Internet



China's Sha Xiao competes on the beam during the women's team final of the Gymnastics World Championships in Stuttgart, southern Germany, on 5 Sept, 2007. —INTERNET

Boeing 787's test flight delayed for technical issues

LOS ANGELES, 5 Sept—Boeing's 787 Dreamliner aircraft will make its first flight between mid-November and mid-December, almost two months later than originally planned, due to technical issues, senior company officials said Wednesday.

The delay of the test flight for the company's newest passenger plane, which was rolled out at a fanfare ceremony in July, was announced in a conference call by Scott Carson, chief executive of Boeing Commercial Airplanes, and Mike Bair, 787 program vice president and general manager.

Bair said the issues behind the delay include airframe partners' failure to deliver their supplies



The Boeing 787 Dreamliner sits outside the Boeing assembly plant in Everett, Washington, on 8 July, 2007 before its presentation to an audience of more than 15,000 waiting inside. —XINHUA

on schedule, and the longer-than-anticipated time needed for the integration of the plane's flight control system software.

However, Boeing officials said the current flight test plan still supports the planned first delivery to All Nippon Airways of Japan in May 2008, and they assured the

stock market that the newly announced delay would have no impact on the company's financial performance.

Carson told stock analysts that the company has logged 258 sales of its new plane this year, bringing the total to 706 total orders from 48 airlines.

Internet

Derby striker Fagan faces ban following video evidence

LONDON, 5 Sept — Derby County striker Craig Fagan faces a possible three-match suspension after being issued with a violent conduct charge from the English Football Association (FA) following retrospective study of video evidence.

Fagan appeared to stamp on Liverpool defender Alvaro Arbeloa during Derby's 6-0 defeat at Anfield in an English Premier League encounter last Saturday.

MNA/Reuters



A player competes during a match at the 2007 China Water Sports Games in Rizhao, east China's Shandong Province, on 3 Sept, 2007. —XINHUA



Trees are covered by snow after a snowfall in the northwest mountain area of Czech on 4 Sept, 2007. —INTERNET

S Korea chooses first astronaut for space trip

SEOUL, 5 Sept—A 30-year-old computer vision engineer has been chosen as South Korea's first astronaut to make a trip to the International Space Station on a Russian spacecraft early next year, the local news agency Yonhap reported Wednesday.

Ko san, a researcher at the Korea Aerospace Research Institute, will go into space on the Soyuz

spacecraft in April 2008 and spend seven to eight days on the space station orbiting the Earth, the South Korean Ministry of Science and Technology was quoted as saying on Wednesday.

Ko was selected over Yi So-yeon because he received higher marks in the extensive training program undertaken in South Korea and Russia since early this year, the

ministry said.

It said Yi, a nanotechnology engineer, will complete the rest of the training program so she can replace Ko if he is unable to participate in the planned mission.

The two have undergone training in both South Korea and Russia since early this year after being picked on 25 Dec from 36,206 hopefuls.

Internet

SPORTS

Italy recall Pennetta for Fed Cup final

MILAN, 6 Sept — Italy coach Corrado Barazzutti has recalled Flavia Pennetta for their Fed Cup final defence against Russia later this month.

The world number 83 replaces Tathiana Garbin, who played in July's semifinal victory over France but has lost form in recent weeks.

Garbin, the 23rd seed, went out in the first round of the US Open to Dominika Cibulkova of Slovakia.

Italy number one Francesca Schiavone, Mara Santangelo and Roberta Vinci will join Pennetta for the final in Moscow on 15-16 September.

Karin Knapp, 20, will also attend the Luzhniki Arena for experience as a fifth member of the team, the Italian Tennis Federation website (www.federtennis.it) said.

World number four Svetlana Kuznetsova will lead a powerful Russian team. — MNA/Reuters

Dos Santos to be Mexico's role model

MEXICO CITY, 6 Sept — Teenager Giovanni Dos Santos is set to play a pivotal role in the future of Mexican football, the head of the country's youth teams said on Wednesday.

"He's going to be a role model, especially for the next generations, for the upcoming national sides," Jesus Ramirez, the Mexican Football Federation's director of youth teams, told reporters.

He added that Mexico, who have never gone beyond the World Cup quarterfinals, could show they mean business by winning the Olympic gold medal in Beijing next year.

"I think we've always had the raw material necessary to win this medal," Ramirez said.

MNA/Reuters

Russian coach Hiddink discounts England's injury woes

MOSCOW, 6 Sept — England's injury problems will not be a factor against Russia next week in their Euro 2008 Group E qualifier, according to Russian coach Guus Hiddink.

Steven Gerrard did not train with the England squad on Wednesday because of his broken toe and is still a major doubt for the clash with Israel at Wembley on Saturday.

England manager Steve McClaren has also been deprived of the likes of midfielders David Beckham and Frank Lampard and

striker Wayne Rooney while forward Peter Crouch is suspended for the Israel game.

Even if England beat Israel, the meeting with Russia at the same stadium four days later could prove to be the decisive fixture in a tight group led by Croatia.

"I don't complain about injuries. I try to find solutions and I think England will do the same," Hiddink told reporters on Wednesday. "Injuries are part of the game and you must learn to deal with them."

MNA/Reuters

Scotland's Anderson to miss Lithuania, France games

GLASGOW, 6 Sept — Scotland defender Russell Anderson has pulled out of the squad for the Euro 2008 qualifiers against Lithuania and France because of a calf muscle injury.

Scotland assistant manager Roy Aitken told a news conference on Wednesday there were no plans to replace the Sunderland player for Saturday's home match against Lithuania and the trip to France four days later. — MNA/Reuters



Jordan's Shahnaz Yaseen (L) fights for the ball with Syria's Manar Monther during their West Asian Federation Women Championship (WAFF) soccer match at Amman Stadium on 5 Sept, 2007. —INTERNET



River Plate's Colombian striker Radamel Falcao Garcia (L) and team mate Marco Ruben try to shoot during their Argentine First Division soccer match against Newell's Old Boys in Buenos Aires on 5 Sept, 2007. —INTERNET

Schumacher wins Spain's top sporting award

MADRID, 6 Sept — Seven-times Formula One world champion Michael Schumacher was awarded Spain's top international sporting honour, the 2007 Principe de Asturias prize, on Wednesday.

The 38-year-old German retired from competition last year bringing to a close a glittering 16-year career in which he registered 91 wins.

On top of his sporting success, the judges also recognized his humanitarian work and efforts to help the under-privileged in the world of sport. It is the second time the award has gone to a Formula One driver after current world champion Fernando Alonso took it in 2005. — MNA/Reuters

Pakistan increases daily allowance of soccer teams

ISLAMABAD, 6 Sept — Pakistan Football Federation (PFF) has raised daily allowance of the officials and players of various Pakistani soccer teams, chief of PFF said Wednesday.

Faisal Saleh Hayat, President of PFF, Wednesday said in eastern Pakistani city of Lahore that Pakistani footballers on foreign visits will get more daily allowance, according to state-run Associated Press of Pakistan news agency.

MNA/Xinhua



Andy Roddick of the United States returns a shot with a backhand to Roger Federer of Switzerland during their match at the US Open tennis tournament in New York, on Wednesday, 5 Sept, 2007.

INTERNET

Zenga returns to Romania as Dinamo coach

BUCHAREST, 6 Sept — Former Italy goalkeeper Walter Zenga on Wednesday signed a two-year contract to take charge of Romanian champions Dinamo Bucharest, the club's president said.

"Zenga agreed all details of our contract and will be Dinamo coach for the next two years," Nicolae Badea told Reuters.

Badea said Zenga's main aims were to de-

fend Dinamo's league title and qualify for the UEFA Cup group stage.

Zenga has previously coached National Bucharest and Steaua Bucharest and was capped 58 times by Italy.

Earlier this month, Mircea Rednic resigned as Dinamo coach after the team failed to qualify for Champions League group stages.

MNA/Reuters

Controversial Indian runner in apparent suicide bid

MUMBAI, 6 Sept — Indian middle-distance runner Santhi Soundarajan, who was stripped of her Asian Games medal after failing a gender test, was in hospital on Wednesday following an apparent suicide bid, police said. "It is a possible suicide attempt," police superintendent Kapil Kumar told Reuters. "The doctors are yet to confirm what she consumed."

"She is out of danger now and is not accepting the version of suicide now," he added.

Local athletics official Jehangir told Reuters Soundarajan had taken pesticide in her home town in the southern state of Tamil Nadu.

"Santhi said she took it because of stomach pain," Jehangir said by phone from the hospital. "They are going to shift her to a bigger hospital with better facilities."

Soundarajan, 26, was stripped of the women's 800 metres silver medal she won in Doha last December. The daughter of poor labourers was in the media spotlight after the Games. — MNA/Reuters

River back in hunt after win over Newell's

BUENOS AIRES, 6 Sept — River Plate leapt up the Argentine championship by beating Newell's Old Boys 3-1 on Wednesday in a game previously postponed because of security worries.

Originally scheduled for the sec-

ond match day of the championship on August 12, the game was called off on the orders of a judge over fears about possible trouble between rival factions of the River support.

MNA/Reuters



Agnes Szavay of Hungary serves to number four seed Svetlana Kuznetsova of Russia in the women's quarterfinals at the US Open Tennis Championships at Flushing Meadows. Kuznetsova won 6-1, 6-4. —INTERNET

China's self-designed "ARJ 21" attracts visitors at Aerospace Expo

HONG KONG, 6 Sept — The cabin section of China's first self-designed regional aircraft ARJ21 attracted many visitors on the Asian Aerospace International Expo and Congress 2007 which opened on Monday.

China Aviation Industry Corporation I (AVIC I), the manufacturer of China's third generation fighter J10, brings models of its civil aviation products, including turbo-prop regional aircraft MA60 and regional aircraft ARJ21, ARJ21 cabin section and partial products for aero-engine subcontracting, to the 14th presentation of Asia Aerospace International Expo and Congress in Hong Kong.

Hu Wenming, AVIC I senior vice-president, said, "AVIC I would like to become the world's top class manufacturer for regional aircraft and top class supplier for commercial aircraft."

Chen Guanjun, vice-president of AVIC I's Department of Marketing and International Cooperation, said several customers from India, Thailand and other countries had shown great interest in their products on the opening day of the exhibition.

China's first self-developed regional aircraft ARJ21

completed the specific design and started manufacturing in April 2006. AVIC I and the Lao Airlines signed a memorandum of understanding of two ARJ21 jets, which marked a milestone for the exportation of China self-made aircraft.

AVIC I has exported MA60 to 10 countries since 2004, with overseas orders of 98 aircraft in total.

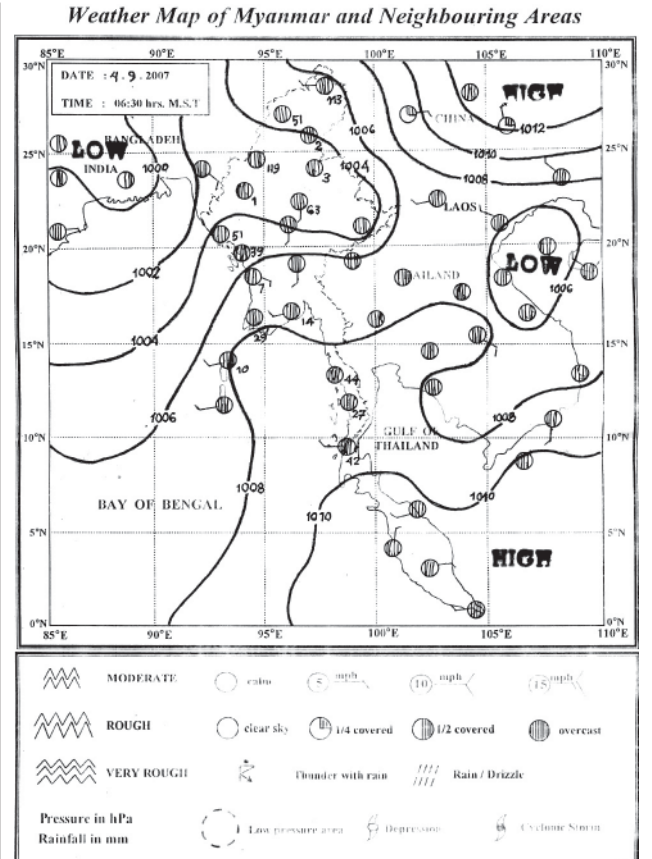
MNA/Xinhua

Flood Possibility Warning (Issued at 12:30 hr MST on 6-9-2007)

According to the (06:30) hr MST observation today, the water level of Chindwin River at Hkamti is (1263) cm. It is possible to reach its danger level (1360) cm during the next (48) hrs commencing noon today.

Flood Warning (Issued at 12:30 hr MST on 6-9-2007)

According to the (06:30) hr MST observations today, the water levels of Chindwin River at Mawlaik and Kalewa are (1164) cm and (1439) cm respectively. The water levels may exceed above their respective danger levels of Mawlaik (1230) cm and Kalewa (1550) cm during the next (24) hrs commencing noon today.



WEATHER

Thursday, 6 September, 2007

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hours MST: During the past 24 hours, rain or thundershowers have been isolated in Chin State and lower Sagaing Division, scattered in Mandalay Division, fairly widespread in Magway, Bago and Taninthayi Divisions and widespread in the remaining areas with locally heavy falls in Rakhine State and upper Sagaing Division. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Homalin (6.29) inches, Mawlaik (6.02) inches, Kalewa (5.08) inches, Maungtau (4.02) inches, Kyauktaw (3.03) inches and Sittway (2.60) inches.

Maximum temperature on 5-9-2007 was 85°F. Minimum temperature on 6-9-2007 was 71°F. Relative humidity at 09:30 hours MST on 6-9-2007 was 96%. Total sunshine hours on 5-9-2007 was (1.9) hours approx.

Rainfall on 6-9-2007 was (0.63) inch at Mingaladon, (1.22) inches at Kaba-Aye and (1.57) inches at Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2007 was (101.22) inches at Mingaladon, (104.13) inches at Kaba-Aye and (104.80) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (6) mph from Southwest at (11:30) hours MST on 5-9-2007.

Bay inference: Monsoon is weak in the Andaman Sea and moderate to strong in the Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until evening of 7-9-2007: Rain or thundershowers will be isolated in Chin State and lower Sagaing Division, scattered in Mandalay and Magway Divisions, fairly widespread in Kayah State, upper Sagaing and Bago Divisions and widespread in the remaining areas with likelihood of isolated heavy fall in Rakhine State. Degree of certainty is (80%).

State of the sea: Squalls with moderate to rough seas are likely at times Deltaic, off and along Rakhine Coasts. Surface wind speed in squall may reach (35) to (40) mph. Seas will be moderate elsewhere in Myanmar waters.

Outlook for subsequent two days: Continuation of thundery condition in the Northern Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring areas for 7-9-2007: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring areas for 7-9-2007: One or two rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

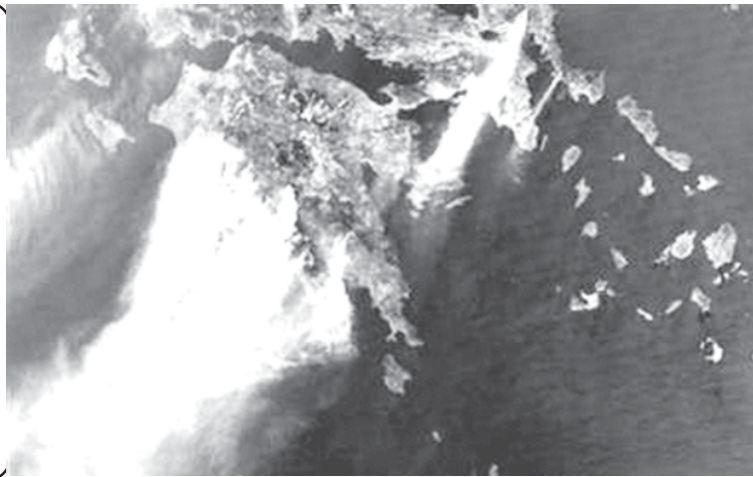
Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring areas for 7-9-2007: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Flood Bulletin

(Issued at 12:30 hr MST on 6-9-2007)

According to the (06:30) hr MST observation today, the water level of Chindwin River at Homalin (2940) cm is exceeded (40) cm above its danger level. It may remain above its danger level (2900) cm during the next (48) hrs commencing noon today.

Smoke is seen rising as forest fires sweep through Greece in this handout satellite photo from NASA released recently. INTERNET



Friday, 7 September
Tune in today

- 8:30 am Brief news
- 8:35 am Music:
-I have always loved you
- 8:40 am Perspectives
- 8:45 am Music:
-Just a little bit of love
- 8:50 am National news/
Slogan
- 9:00 am Music:
-To me you are everything
- 9:05 am International news
- 9:10 am Music:
-Sweet kisses
- 1:30 pm News / Slogan
- 1:40 pm Lunch time music:
-Radio heart
-Dream loves
- 9:00 pm WOM
- 9:15 pm Article
- 9:25pm Music at your request
-Forever and for always
-When I found you
- 9:45 pm News /Slogan
- 10:00 pm PEL



Friday, 7 September
View on today

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1. Recitation of Parittas by Missionary Sayadaw U Ottamathara 7:25 am
2. To be healthy exercise 7:30 am
3. Morning news 7:40 am
4. Nice and sweet song 7:55 am
5. လှုပ်ရှားပုံပြင် စိတ်ပျော်ရွှင် 8:10 am
6. အတီးဖြိုင်ပွဲ 8:15 am
7. The mirror images of the musical oldies 8:30 am
8. International news 8:45 am
9. English for Everyday Use | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4:00 pm
1. Martial song 4:15 pm
2. Song to uphold National Spirit 4:30 pm
3. Practice in Reading 4:45 pm
4. အဝေးသင်တက္ကသိုလ် ပညာရေး ရုပ်မြင်သံကြား သင်ခန်းစာ -ပထမနှစ် (သင်္ချာအထူးပြု) (သင်္ချာ) 5:00 pm
5. Song of national races 5:15 pm
6. မြန်မာစာ မြန်မာစကား 5:25 pm
7. Songs of yesteryears 5:35 pm
8. "လက်တွေ့ပြချင်လို့" (ဖြိုးငွေစိုး၊ မြတ်ကောသီအောင်) (ဒါရိုက်တာ-ကြည်စိုး) 5:45 pm
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10. Evening news 6:30 pm
11. Weather report 6:35 pm
12. သုတစုံလင်ရွှေညောင်ရှင် 7:00 pm
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14. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "ရေသုမလေး တတိယချစ်ပုံပြင်" (အပိုင်း-၁) 8:00 pm
15. News 16. International news 17. Weather report 18. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "ချစ်စိတ်ကူးလေး တစ်လည်လည်"(အပိုင်း-၁၄) 19. The next day's programme |
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Winners of 15th Myanmar Traditional Performing Arts Competitions of Monywa District awarded

NAY PYI TAW, 4 Sept — Chairman of Sagaing Division Peace and Development Council Commander of North-West Command Maj-Gen Tha Aye visited Chindwin Market Ship docked at Thalla Jetty in Monywa on 29 August.

Afterwards, Commander Maj-Gen Tha Aye and party went to Bodhi Tahtaung Monastery and inspected construction tasks to build a standing Buddha Image. The commander and party also visited the foundry of Thiha Tun Co and fulfilled the requirements at the meeting with officials of the Co. The foundry has produced machinery for drying tea leaves and agricultural machinery. Commander Maj-Gen Tha Aye and party attended the presentation ceremony of the



Commander Maj-Gen Tha Aye awards U Myint Lwin of Salingyi Township who stood first in amateur level (1) men's modern song contest.—DISTRICT IPRD

15th Myanmar Traditional Performing Arts Competitions of Monywa District and presented awards to outstanding contestants. —MNA

Commander looks into roads and bridges, progress of agriculture in Pantanaw, Nyaungdon, Maubin

NAY PYI TAW, 2 Sept — Chairman of Ayeyawady Division Peace and Development Council Commander of South-West Command Maj-Gen Thura Myint Aung looked into roads and bridges and cultivation of monsoon paddy of villages along Patheinyangon Road on 27 August.

The commander viewed growing of Hsin Nwe Yin paddy strain on two acres of farmer U Sit Aye in Pantanaw Township.

He also inspected the re-growing of Manaw Thukha paddy strain at the farmlands in Hleseik village, weeding and broadcasting of fertilizers on

three acres of monsoon paddy plantation and thriving of Ayaya Aung paddy strain in Hsa Phyu village in the township.

Pantanaw Township has cultivated 87,300 acres of monsoon paddy against the target of 88,030 acres.

Arrangements are being made for re-growing of 12,155 acres of paddy on the farmland that had been flooded.

Next, the commander inspected thriving physic nut and jute plantations and beautifying task of Nyaungdon.

At the Farmers' Hospital near Hsamalauk village in Nyaungdon Township, the commander heard the reports

of officials on maintenance task for bank erosion near the pylon and left necessary instructions.

In Maubin Township, the commander looked into progress of agricultural and fish and prawn farming tasks, maintenance of the bypass in Ward 2 of Maubin, thriving physic nut plantation of the local station, broadcasting fertilizer and extended cultivation of monsoon paddy.

In Hleseik Village of Kyaiklat Township, the commander viewed broadcasting of fertilizers and weeding at 100-acre sample paddy plantation.

MNA

So-called '88' generation students and NLD released announcement the protest was a non-violent one Their activities were inconsistent with their words as they committed destructive acts

Any attempts to incite "88" unrest-like situation absolutely unacceptable to people

External anti-government groups giving directives and providing assistance to internal anti-government groups to stir up mass demonstrations and instability

People will not accept any activities to destabilize the nation and harm their interests and are willing to prevent such destructive acts

NAY PYI TAW, 6 Sept — Following a tip-off that some members of the Sangha (Buddhist monks) from some monasteries in Pakokku, Magway Division, were to stage a protest, authorities rushed to the scene and requested them to stop their protest at 2 pm yesterday. However, the monks refused the request and insisted on demonstration calling for the release of the detainees and the fall of commodity prices by holding placards featuring the words of Sangha Samaggi along Bogyoke Street. Although the authorities concerned and Township Sangha Nayaka Com-

mittee Chairman U Tejobhasa made a request again, the monk demonstrators pushed the chairman Sayadaw over and continued their protest. As danger might fall to the Sayadaw and the public passers-by, the authorities fired small weapons three times in the air to disperse the crowd of about 100 monks.

In order to stop another incident like one that happened yesterday, the secretary of Magway Division Peace and Development Council, the head of the Division Religious Affairs Department and officials, township level authorities and responsible persons

from the religious field together with the members of the board of trustees of Ashetaik Monastery called on Presiding Sayadaw U Vepolla and 13 members of the Sangha at the monastery at 9 am today and supplicated on religious matters. From there they went to Bawdimandine monastery and supplicated on religious matters to the Presiding Sayadaw U Indiya and six members of the Sangha. They supplicated on religious affairs to four Sayadaws including Presiding Sayadaw U Sumangala at Alekyaungtaik monastery (See page 11)