

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

Wellwishers and families of Tatmadaw (Army, Navy and Air) present provisions to 15 monasteries and one nunnery in Insein Township

YANGON, 7 Oct— Wellwishers and families of Tatmadaw (Army, Navy and Air) donated cash and kind to 15 monasteries and one nunnery in Insein township, Yangon North District, this afternoon.

The ceremony was held at Ywama Pariyatti monastery in the township.

Lt-Gen Myint Swe of the Ministry of Defence presented robes and other offertories to Sayadaws members of the Sangha.

Present on the occasion were Presiding Sayadaws of monasteries in the township, nuns of the nunnery, Chairman of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Maj-Gen Hla Htay Win, Minister for Religious Affairs Brig-Gen Thura Myint Maung, Vice-Chairman of Yangon City Development Committee Vice-Mayor Col Maung Pa, Senior Military officers, Departmental officials, Chairmen and

members of the District and townships, members of social organizations, Wut associations and wellwishers.

Lt-Gen Myint Swe and party received Five Precepts from Joint-Secretary of State Sangha Maha Nayaka Committee Agga Maha Pandita Bhaddhanta Tilokabhivamsa of Ywama Pariyatti Monastery.

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Mass rally to support the National Convention and constitution held in Magway

NAY PYI TAW, 7 Oct—A mass rally to support the National Convention and to hail the constitution organized by townsenders of Magway was held at the Magway Airport in Magway Division in accord with the law this morning.

It was attended by townsenders from Magway District, Minbu District, Thayet District, Pakokku District and Gangaw District, workers, farmers, members of social organizations, economic and industrial organizations, departmental officials, students and local people numbering over 110,000.

At 6 am, Magway District No 1 Column led by U Win Zaw Soe, Minbu

District No 2 Column led by U Cho Tun, Thayet District No 3 Column led by U Win Naing, Pakokku District No 4 Column led by U Than Nyunt and Gangaw District No 5 Column led by U Kyaw Zay Ya marched to the Magway Airport from their respective gatherings, and took position at the designated places.

Rector of Magway University U Htay Maung presided over the ceremony together with Secretary of Gangaw District USDA U Aung Myint, Executive of Magway Division Women's Affairs Organization Daw Than Than Htay,

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Chairman and Member of Panel of Chairmen and the attendees chanting the slogans at a ceremony to support the National Convention and the constitution in Magway.— MNA

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

PERSPECTIVES

Monday, 8 October, 2007

Exploration of oil and gas in new blocks

New wells are being explored and drilled in Nyaungdon oil and natural gas field. New well No 37 produces 3.12 million cubic feet of natural gas daily.

Now Nyaungdon oil and natural gas field produces over 81 million cubic feet of natural gas and 720 barrels of condensate a day.

Prospects for production of oil and natural gas in Myanmar off-shore are good. Exploration of oil and natural gas in Mottama off-shore block, Taninthayi off-shore Yedagun block and Rakhine off-shore Shwe block is being conducted in cooperation with foreign oil companies.

Of the blocks, a natural gas deposit that can be produced on commercial scale was discovered at the test well Zawtika-1 (A) at M-9 Block of Mottama off-shore block. The volume of natural gas deposit is about 2.5 trillion cubic feet.

Other potential sites are being explored nationwide. The State has gained benefits after the discovery of the natural gas deposit like test well Zawtika-1 (A).

According to the geographical position and potential of oil and gas, more exploration is being carried out not only in inland but in blocks in off-shore in Myanmar waters for economic progress.

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 attends prize presentation ceremony in Nay Pyi Taw Pyinmana

NAY PYI TAW, 7 Oct — Commander of Nay Pyi Taw Command Maj-Gen Wai Lwin attended a ceremony to present prize to outstanding students in conjunction with donating medical funds to hospitals held at Paunglaung Sports Ground in Nay Pyi Taw Pyinmana this morning.

Present on the occasion were wife of the commander Daw Swe Swe Oo, Chairman of Nay Pyi Taw Pyinmana District PDC U Khin Maung Zaw, heads of departments, medical superintendents, health staff, outstanding students, teachers, members of social organizations and donors.

First, the commander made a speech on the occasion and then presented prizes to officials of three

schools for best pass rate, a six-distinction winner and three five-distinction winners. Next, Daw Swe Swe Oo handed prizes to outstanding students and then, one outstanding student spoke words of thanks.

Afterwards, the ceremony of donating medical funds to hospitals followed and the commander presented medical funds for hospitals through respective medical superintendents. Next, the medical superintendents accepted medical funds donated by wellwishers of Nay Pyi Taw Pyinmana, Nay Pyi Taw Lewe and Nay Pyi Taw Tatkon.

Next, Medical Superintendent Dr Htay Kywe spoke words of thanks.

MNA

Minister receives Malaysian Ambassador

NAY PYI TAW, 4 Oct — Minister for Industry-1 U Aung Thaung received Malaysian Ambassador to Myanmar Mr Dato Shaharuddin Md Som at the minister's office here yesterday.

Also present at the call were the directors-general and the managing directors of the departments and enterprises under the ministry.

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Minister for Industry-1 U Aung Thaung receives Malaysian Ambassador to Myanmar Mr Dato Shaharuddin Md Som. — INDUSTRY-1

H&T Minister receives Malaysian Ambassador

NAY PYI TAW, 3 Oct — Minister for Hotels and Tourism Maj-Gen Soe Naing received Ambassador of Malaysia to Myanmar Mr Dato Shaharuddin Md Som at the minister's office here today.

At the meeting, they discussed matters related to tourism sector between the two countries. Also present were Deputy Minister Brig-Gen Aye Myint Kyu, Director-General U Htay Aung of Directorate of Hotels and Tourism and officials.

MNA

Deputy Minister meets staff at Myintnge CWW and Ywahtaung DLS

NAY PYI TAW, 7 Oct — Deputy Minister for Rail Transportation Thura U Thaung Lwin held meetings with 1,058 service personnel of Myintnge Carriage and Wagon Workshop and 759 of Ywahtaung Diesel Locomotive Shed on 5 October and made clarification on protests occurred in the country.

Next, the deputy minister discussed about preparations to be made for taking advantage of possible opportunities of ASEAN economic community in 2015, academic matters and the requirement of the conducting courses.

Afterwards, he inspected renovation tasks of locomotive sheds, test-runs and repair of spare parts and met with 583 service personnel of Myanma Railways in Mandalay Division and praised them for their high performance. —MNA



On behalf of Ms Pornpan Thareechat of Bangkok in Thailand, a Responsible Person donated K 100,000 to Hninzigon Home for the Aged through Joint Treasurer U Maung Maung Gyi of the Executive Committee recently. — H

All this needs to be known

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

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Last public phone boxes vanishing from Helsinki streets

HELSINKI, 6 Oct—The last public phone boxes will vanish from streets of Helsinki, capital of Finland, within the next few days, Finnish daily *Helsingin Sanomat* reported on Thursday.

In the 1990s there were 900 public phone boxes in Helsinki, and last year there were still some 200 public phones. As mobile phones have become more common, public pay-phones have no longer been used very much and they are going fast.

Finnish teleoperator Telia-Sonera removed its last public phones from

Helsinki already in the spring of 2006. Another Finnish teleoperator Elisa is removing the remaining phone-boxes from Helsinki's districts from Wednesday. The last public phone boxes will vanish from Helsinki's streets within the next few days. Elisa has received very few complaints about the removal of public phones, as almost every

Finn has a mobile phone.

Most of the public phone boxes that are retired from active service eventually end up being mixed with scrap metal for recycling. However, some have been converted into more exotic purposes. They have been used in saunas, garden bars, or even rain shelters for outdoor shooting ranges.—MNA/Xinhua

Richardson calls for immediate pullout from Iraq

WASHINGTON, 6 Oct—Democratic presidential candidate Bill Richardson criticized his rivals on

Thursday for failing to support an immediate and complete US troop pullout from Iraq, saying it is time to "get all our troops out now". In prepared remarks for a speech at Georgetown University, Richardson said Democratic rivals Hillary Clinton, Barack Obama and John Edwards all have taken a wait-and-see attitude about when to draw down US troops.

"I say there has been enough waiting and seeing," he said. "If you haven't seen enough to know that we need to get all the troops out, then you aren't watching the same war that I and the rest of America are seeing."

The three leading Democratic presidential

contenders—Clinton, Obama and Edwards—all call for withdrawing troops from Iraq. But at a debate in New Hampshire in late September, they refused to promise to bring all American troops home from Iraq by January 2013, which would be the end of their first term. Clinton came under fire from the others because she did not

rule out continuing some combat operations.

With more than 3,800 Americans killed in Iraq, public sentiment largely favours removing the United States from the 4-1/2-year-old conflict.

Richardson said his competitors have shown they want to change the mission, but not end the war.—MNA/Reuters

Liu Chuansheng (1st, R), chairperson of the Beijing Normal University Council shakes hands with Richard Filion (2nd L), director general of Dawson College as she presents an artwork of Chinese Calligraphy during the unveiling ceremony of the third Confucius institute of Canada in Montreal, Canada, on 4 Oct, 2007. — XINHUA



Scottish police recover painting credited to da Vinci

LONDON, 6 Oct—Police on Thursday recovered a painting credited to Leonardo da Vinci that had been stolen from a Scottish castle four years ago by thieves disguised as tourists.

Police said four men had been arrested. The painting was recovered in the Glasgow area. Insurers had offered a six-figure reward for the recovery of "Madonna of the Yarnwinder", stolen from Drumlanrig Castle, long home of the Duke of Buccleugh who died last month at 83. "Through careful investigations and intelligence-led police work, we were able to locate the painting and make four arrests," Detective Chief Inspector Mickey Dalgleish said.

The Madonna, painted in the first decade of the 16th Century, has a chequered and disputed history. Leonardo is known to have worked on it between 1500 and 1510 for the Secretary of State to French King Louis XII.

MNA/Xinhua

Iraqi tells US lawmakers of unchecked corruption

WASHINGTON, 6 Oct—Widespread corruption in Iraq stretches into the government of Prime Minister Nuri al-Maliki, an Iraqi investigating judge told US lawmakers on Thursday, and an American official said US efforts to combat the problem are inadequate.

Judge Radhi Hamza al-Radhi, who was named by the United States in 2004 to head the Iraqi Com-

mission on Public Integrity, said his agency estimated corruption had cost the Iraqi Government up to 18 billion US dollars.

Maliki has shielded relatives from investigation and allowed Government ministers to protect implicated employees, said the judge, who left Iraq in August after threats against him. He told a Capitol Hill hearing that 31 employees of his

agency had been killed.

Radhi said he did not have evidence against Maliki personally, but the prime minister had "protected some of his relatives that were involved in corruption".

One of these was a former minister of transportation, Radhi told the House of Representatives' Oversight and Government Reform Committee.—MNA/Reuters



Actors perform "Entremeses Cervantinos" during the Cervantes international festival in Guanajuato of Mexico, on 5 Oct, 2007. As the biggest artistic gala, the Cervantes festival would show nearly 400 performances of 26 countries and regions including China, Spain, South Korea and so on. —XINHUA

Indonesian woman dies of suspected bird flu

JAKARTA, 6 Oct—A 44-year-old woman died early on Friday after developing bird flu symptoms at a hospital in the Indonesian province of Riau.

"The patient was admitted to this hospital in the afternoon yesterday. She died at around 04:00 today," Dr Azizman Saad with the Arifin Achamd Hospital in Riau was quoted by leading news website Detikcom as saying. If confirmed, the latest casualty will bring total bird flu death toll in the country to 87, higher than any other country in the world. —MNA/Xinhua

US soldier shot dead in Baghdad

BAGHDAD, 6 Oct—An American soldier was shot dead during fighting with insurgents in the Iraqi capital, the US military said on Friday.

The Multi National Division-Baghdad soldier was killed on Thursday while conducting combat operations in southern Baghdad, a military statement said.

The soldier's unit was fighting "al-Qaeda terrorist cells" in this section of the Iraqi capital, it said. The latest death brings the number of US soldiers who have been killed in Iraq to about 3,810 since the outbreak of the Iraqi war in 2003, according to media count based on Pentagon figures. —MNA/Xinhua



Nurse Bertha Dear, right, gives a flu vaccination to Mary Neer, left, at a CVS pharmacy in the Brooklyn Borough of New York on 5 Oct, 2007. The Centre for Disease Control estimate that 5 to 20% of the US population gets the flu each year, and that 36,000 people will die of the virus. CVS pharmacy will offer flu vaccinations in over 4,000 of its stores across the country through the end of November. —INTERNET

New poll raises election doubt for UK's Brown

LONDON, 5 Oct— An opinion poll showed the ruling Labour Party's lead slumping to just four points on Thursday, raising doubts over whether British Prime Minister Gordon Brown will call an early election.

Labour's lead was down from 11 points in a similar poll last week, showing the opposition Conservatives have been boosted by their annual conference this week when they promised a tax break for people buying their first home and a cut in inheritance tax.

The YouGov poll for Channel 4 television showed Labour on 40 per cent to the Conservatives' 36. The pollsters surveyed 1,741 people on Wednesday and Thursday.

The poll, together with an opinion poll in Friday's *Guardian* newspaper which is also expected to show a sharp drop in Labour's lead, will give Brown much to think about as he decides in the next few days whether to call a snap election.

A 4-point poll lead would give Brown little better than a 50-50 chance

of achieving his goal — increasing the parliamentary majority of 64 seats that Labour won at the 2005 election, said John Curtice, politics Professor at Strathclyde University. "It definitely means we are still on tenter-hooks," he said.

Government officials have made plans to bring forward major announcements, including public spending plans, to early next week in case Brown decides to announce next Tuesday he is calling a 1 November election.

MNA/Reuters

Southern California landslide damages six homes

LA JOLLA (California), 5 Oct— At least six homes were damaged or destroyed on Wednesday in a landslide that toppled power poles and left a 50-yard (metre) long sinkhole in the scenic southern California town of La Jolla. No injuries were reported but dozens of residents were evacuated from the area of million dollar plus homes in unstable mountains

overlooking the Pacific Ocean.

The sliding section of hillside, which has been prone to slippages for 40 years, measured about 48,000 square feet (4,500 square metres) when it came to rest after an hour.

"It is fairly well defined and localized.

As far as the whole road or mountain going down, we don't have an indication of that," San Diego

city geologist Rob Hawke told reporters.

Hawke said about six homes were damaged, with potential for more. Fire officials said about 24 homes in the beach town north of San Diego could be at risk.

"We do not believe there is an immediate threat to residents," San Diego city attorney Michael Aguirre told reporters. —MNA/Reuters

Typhoon "Lekima" kills 12 in S-E Asia

HANOI, 5 Oct — Typhoon Lekima lashed Vietnam and southern China with torrential rains and high winds, killing at least seven people, damaging hundreds of homes and disrupting air, sea and train travel, officials said on Thursday.

The storm, which killed at least five people in the Philippines at the

weekend, swept into central Vietnam from the sea on Wednesday night, blowing roofs off houses, sinking scores of fishing vessels and grounding flights before moving to Laos.

In central Vietnam, the typhoon raised rivers to dangerous levels.

"Precaution must be taken against flash floods, landslides on mountain-

ous rivers and streams and inundation in the delta on riversides in provinces in Ha Tinh and Quang Binh," the national weather centre in Hanoi said on Thursday.

It said Lekima crossed Laos on Wednesday night and advanced into northern Thailand where it weakened into a depression.

MNA/Reuters

US troops capture al-Qaeda financier near Baghdad

BAGHDAD, 6 Oct — US and Iraqi troops has detained an al-Qaeda financier who is suspected of receiving 100 million US dollars from al-Qaeda sympathizers, the US military said on Thursday.

During an operation in Baghdad's central neighbourhood of Kindi on Tuesday, the troops detained the suspect who is "believed to have received 100,000,000 US dollars this summer from terrorist supporters who cross the Iraqi border illegally or fly into Iraq from Italy, Syria and Egypt," the US military said in a statement.

The detainee is suspected of handing over 50,000 dollars a month to al-Qaeda "using his leather merchant business as a front to smuggle weapons and explosives from surrounding countries," according to the statement.

It added that intelligence reports said that the suspect has stores in Iraq's Fallujah, Syria and Jordan respectively.

In addition, the financier believed to be involved in purchasing explosives that were used in destroying the golden dome of one of the most revered Shiite shrines in Samarra in 2006.

He was also suspected of involving in another attack on 13 June this year, which destroyed the two marinas of the al-Askari shrine, according to the statement. — MNA/Xinhua

Plant-eating dinosaur a "Cretaceous weed whacker"

WASHINGTON, 5 Oct— Scientists have found in southern Utah a nicely preserved skull with jaws containing 800 teeth, scaly skin impressions and other fossil remains of a new species of duck-billed dinosaur from 75 million years ago.

The bipedal herbivorous dinosaur, named *Gryposaurus monumentensis*, was about 30 feet (9.1 metres) long and pigged out on plenty of plants.

"What you're looking at with *Gryposaurus monumentensis* is basically the Cretaceous version of a weed whacker," Terry Gates, a Utah Museum of Natural History and University of Utah paleontologist, told reporters.

This is the fourth recognized species of *Gryposaurus*. The first was found almost a century ago. Gates said this discovery sheds light on what was going on in this part of North America about 10 million years before the dinosaurs went extinct.

Gryposaurus (pronounced grip-oh-SAWR-us) means "hook-nosed lizard", so named because of the sizable hump on the nose on the beast's large, somewhat square head. *Gryposaurus* was a hadrosaur, commonly known as a duck-billed dinosaur because the wide, flattened front part of its mouth looked a bit like a duck's bill. — MNA/Reuters



A model presents a creation by Singapore-born designer Andrew Gn as part of his Spring/Summer 2008 ready-to-wear fashion collection in Paris, on 3 Oct, 2007. —INTERNET

ECONOMIC NEWS

Oil prices rise above \$81 on fund buying

NEW YORK, 6 Oct — Oil prices rose back over 81 US dollars on Thursday after a smaller-than-expected build in US natural gas stocks and a decline in distillate fuel inventories spurred fresh buying by investment funds, dealers said.

US crude was up 1.50 US dollars at 81.44 US dollars a barrel by 1:47

pm EDT (1747 GMT), putting it within sight of the record 83.90 US dollars a barrel hit 20 September.

London Brent crude rose 1.73 US dollars to 78.92 US dollars a barrel.

“There has been fund buying on dips, with the fall below 79 US dollars seen as a buying opportunity,” said Eric Witte-

nauer of AG Edwards in St Louis.

US oil prices have held near the 80 US dollars mark for about three weeks despite OPEC’s agreement on 11 September to boost output by 500,000 barrels per day (bpd) from 1 November.

Oil ministers from Venezuela and Qatar have brushed off the need for a further output rise.

The US Energy Information Administration said on Thursday that natural gas storage rose by 57 billion cubic feet last week, well short of the 67 bcf build analysts had expected.

MNA/Reuters

WB to invest in bonds of poor nations in local currencies

WASHINGTON, 6 Oct— The World Bank will start a 5-billion-US-dollar fund to invest in local-currency denominated bonds in poor nations, *The Wall Street Journal* reported on Friday.

The fund’s goal is to increase investment by Western pension funds and Asian nations with bulging reserves in countries that are considered relatively risky bets, said the report.

The World Bank also hopes to boost the ability of poor nations to borrow in their own currencies rather than in dollars or euros, said the report, adding that would help reduce the risks developing nations face when there are large swings in the value of major currencies.

Under the plan, the fund would invest in local-currency denominated bonds, with a minimum value of 200 million dollars, issued by poor countries.

The Bank plans to start with 15 to 20 countries, including some that already get a substantial foreign investment. — MNA/Xinhua

India records 40% jump in tax revenue

NEW DELHI, 6 Oct — India recorded a growth of more than 40 per cent in its direct tax collections for a six-month period up to September this year, the government said Thursday.

The country’s net tax collections stood at around 28 billion US dollars, up from around 20 billion US dollars during the same period last fiscal.

Its corporate tax recorded a growth of 41 per cent at 18 billion US dollars from 12.50 billion during the previous fiscal.

Personal income tax grew by 39 per cent at 10 billion US dollars from 7 billion US dollars, a Finance Ministry statement said in New

Delhi.

Also, India’s advance tax increased by 30 per cent and tax deducted at source (TDS) by 48 per cent in a phenomenon that the government said indicated all-round buoyancy in taxes.

MNA/Xinhua



A Sony employee poses with the Organic Electroluminescence (EL) 11-inch TV at Display 2007 in Tokyo. Sony will launch an ultra-thin flat TV based on the organic light-emitting diode (OLED) technology on 1 December in Japan, bringing a new contender to a \$82 billion market dominated by LCD and plasma TVs.— INTERNET

Cuba praises high quality of Chinese-made buses

HAVANA, 5 Oct — Cuban State Council Vice-President Carlos Lage on Tuesday praised the high quality of Yutong buses being supplied by China to this Caribbean island.

Lage said that at the end of 2007, some 1,142 buses are expected to arrive in Cuba from China

to be used for urban transportation. Over 500 Yutong buses have landed in Cuba so far this year and more will continue to arrive in the country in the next three years as part of a bilateral accord, Lage said at Havana’s San Augustin bus station.

The Yutong group is



People of the Miao ethnic group dance in a village in Leishan County, Southwest China’s Guizhou Province on 4 Oct, 2007.—XINHUA

BAA hits back at proposed airport price controls

MADRID, 5 Oct — Spanish-owned British airports operator BAA has protested against price controls proposed for its London airports Heathrow and Gatwick by the British competition watchdog on Wednesday, and said they

put refinancing of its debt at risk.

BAA’s owner Ferrovial is trying to refinance up to 10 billion pounds (20.4 billion US dollars) of debt at a time of sharply reduced liquidity in lending markets.

At the same time it is fending off widespread attacks from the British media, politicians and airline bosses, who have blasted Heathrow and Gatwick’s poor service, long queues and ageing infrastructure.

Britain’s competition watchdog slammed Heathrow and Gatwick Airports on Wednesday

for their level of service to passengers, particularly their failing to manage queues, and called for service regulations to be tightened.

BAA said it was committed to improving service at the airports, but warned the proposed price controls for the next five years would make that job harder.

“We see little in the Competition Commission’s report which delivers the incentives to transform the airports,” said Stephen Nelson, chief executive of BAA, in a statement.

MNA/Reuters

No deal reached in EU-Caribbean trade talks

MONTEGO BAY (Jamaica), 6 Oct — The European Union and countries in the Caribbean failed to agree on a new trade and investment deal in two days of talks that ended on Friday but managed to narrow the gaps between them,

officials said.

The EU and 79 nations in Africa, the Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) have been holding talks to replace colonial-era preferential trade deals which the World Trade Organization says are illegal and must end by 31 December.

EU officials had expected the Caribbean to become the first of the ACP regions to agree to a new deal and European Trade Commissioner Peter Mandelson and European Development Commissioner Louis Michel began talks on Thursday with trade ministers from Caribbean countries in Montego Bay, Jamaica.

MNA/Reuters

Cuban leader Fidel Castro for their low fuel consumption and high quality.

Other bilateral negotiations in the transport sector include supplying Cuba with 2,500 horsepower locomotives, firefighter trucks and other vehicles.

MNA/Xinhua

one of the world’s largest automakers, with a 22,000-unit annual production and eight-billion-US-dollar sales. In early 2006, Cuba negotiated with China the purchase of 8,000 vehicles, including the Yutong buses, which have been praised as “excellent” by

It is time to take correct path

Min Naing (Pakokku)

Recently, so-called "88" generation students and some members of National League for Democracy (NLD), instigated protests and demanded lower consumer prices, release of Daw Suu Kyi and political prisoners, and national reconciliation, organizing some monks and people.

They succeeded in deceiving some monks in Pakokku who took to the streets to launch political movements.

Behind the political movements were internal and external subversive elements and BBC, VOA, RFA and DVB radio stations including so-called "88" generation students. In that regard, they again used the tactics they had used to make protests grow into unrest like the 8-8-1988 unrest.

Now, the government has been able to detain the majority of the leaders of the so-called "88" generation student group. So, these radio stations are now airing news stories about the group claiming itself to be "88" generation students, to constantly evoke the people's memories for the group through airwaves. They fueled the issue by pushing on the political stage Htay Kywe, who is one of the leaders of the "88" generation student group and who is still at large.

Htay Kywe taking shelter under the protection of the embassy of a western country has become the leader of the political movements due to the news stories that are constantly broadcast by BBC, VOA, RFA and DVB radio stations.

The stations repeatedly aired Htay Kywe's announcements, anti-government speeches, and requests to the people. They also broadcast NLD's announcements designed to provoke the public outrage.

That is not all. They are distorting the news stories to raise the blood pressure of the public. They exaggerated the conflicts between local monks and authorities in Pakokku, and made up a story that monks of Mandalay moved down by boat and by car to Pakokku.

In addition, they aired daily that monks staged a protest in Kayan, Yangon Division, and thousands of monks including the monks of Kyakhatwaing monastery mounted protests. Indeed, so far Kayan

has not seen any protests, nor did any of the monks of Kyakhatwaing monastery participate in the protests.

They were broadcasting news stories about monk protests not only to create public outrage but also to make a link between the protesters and "88" new generation student group.

Of the monks and the people of the nation, some under the propagation of the stations came to take to the streets daringly, and were caught in the trap of the NLD, "88" generation student group and foreign broadcasting stations. Then, they made three demands of lowering consumer prices, release of Daw Suu Kyi and political prisoners and national reconciliation.

In the end, the movements grew into protests organized by the "88" generation student group to the liking of the neo-colonialist country and NLD.

At about 3 pm on 23 September 2007, about 300 monks launched a protest march along Botahtaung Pagoda Road from north to south. I witnessed that when they arrived at the block between Merchant Street and Strand Road, a plump monk with a fair complexion offered a 1000-kyat note to each of the monk protesters. Onlookers made comments that the monk protesters were hired, and they said they wondered who sponsored such a huge sum of money to offer to the monks. I think the money was changed from US dollars under the arrangements of internal and external destructive elements.

The three demands of the protesters—lowering consumer prices, release of Daw Suu Kyi and political prisoners, and national reconciliation—cannot be satisfied through protest. They were staging protests because they did not know their demands could be satisfied through proper means, and protest is not the correct means to have the demands fulfilled.

In fact, the government has practised a political policy, which can satisfy the three demands of the protesters, before they staged the protests.

It is the State's seven-step Road Map.

Now, the National Convention, the first step of the Road Map, has been successfully convened.

So, it is drawing near that the three demands are fulfilled.

The next step of the Road Map is to approve the State constitution through a referendum after drafting it.

Now, those responsible are making arrangements to draft the State constitution and collect the list of voters.

When the State constitution is approved, the fulfillment of the three demands will be within reach.

After that, general elections will be held for transferring power.

The representatives who will win the elections will be vested with the power to form a civilian government.

The government that will be elected by the people will be the regime capable of fulfilling the wishes of the people.

The government to be elected by the people will try its best to seek ways and means to tackle the problem "lowering consumer prices" and it will be the one capable of handling the problem.

By then, nothing can prevent release of Daw Suu Kyi and political prisoners.

Regarding the national reconciliation, Tatmadaw member representatives who will constitute 25 percent of the total representatives attend the sessions of the Hluttaws according to the future political trend. So, the representatives of political parties, independent representatives-elect and Tatmadaw member representatives will cooperate and coordinate in handling the national affairs at the Hluttaw sessions. That is a sign of achievement of national reconciliation.

These facts imply that the government has fulfilled the demands of the protesters through the seven-step Road Map, before they made these demands.

The people will have their wishes fulfilled without making anything in particular. So, they have to pay attention to approval of the forthcoming constitution.

Furthermore, the people should be aware of a situation in which they are exploited by the plot of the NLD to seize power through short cut and the scheme of the neo-colonialist country to install a puppet government in Myanmar.

In particular, they should not place any trust in the news stories aired by the BBC, VOA, RFA and DVB radio stations. I would like to urge all to contribute towards the drive for emergence of a government elected by the public by resisting the propaganda programmes, exaggerated stories and made-up stories.

Only with the approval of the State constitution, will it be possible for the people to have their wishes satisfied. So, I would like to remind the people that it is time they all took the correct path.

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Htigyain, Budalin in Sagaing Division hold mass rallies to denounce recent protests

NAY PYI TAW, 7 Oct — The people of Htigyain and Budalin in Sagaing Division who wish to see peace and stability, the rule of law and community peace and tranquility held rallies on 5 October to denounce the recent protests staged by some monks and NLD members as the protests' acts were regarded as harming the public peace and security.

At 8.15 am on

that day about 8,000 people hold the rally in Htigyain shouting slogans such as 'Our Three Main National Causes' and 'Down with the terrorists and internal and external destructive elements' and holding placards that read 'We want Peace and Stability;

Guard against the destructionists; We support the National Convention, Road Map and constitution. Likewise, more than 18000 people of Budalin held the mass rally to denounce the recent protests.

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Local people of Htigyain take part in the mass rally in Htigyain.

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Local people of Budalin marching to the mass rally in Budalin.

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Local people of Budalin participate in the mass rally in Budalin.— MNA

California Assembly speaker overspends campaign funds

LOS ANGELES, 7 Oct — Californian Assembly Speaker Fabian Nuez has travelled the world in luxury, paying with campaign funds for visits to some of the finest hotels and restaurants and for purchases at high-end retailers, the *Los Angeles Times* reported on Friday.

It is not clear how these activities have related to legislative business, as state law requires, because the Los Angeles Democrat refuses to provide details on tens of thousands of dollars in

such expenditures.

The spending, listed in mandatory filings with the state, includes 47,412 dollars on United, Lufthansa and Air France airlines this year; 8,745 dollars at the exclusive Hotel Arts in Barcelona, Spain; 5,149 dollars for a "meeting" at Cave L'Avant Garde and a wine seller in the Bordeaux region of France; and 1,795 dollars for a "meeting" at Le Grand Colbert, a venerable Parisian restaurant.

Nuez also spent 2,934

dollars at Colosseum Travel in Rome, and paid 505 dollars to the European airline Spanair, according to the paper. The paper also listed Nuez' other overexpenses at home.

Asked in an interview about his foreign travel in general, Nuez said: "For me, it's a question of: Is my perspective on issues broad enough? Do I have enough context when I make decisions? This is a big state to run. You've got to know what you're doing. — MNA/Xinhua

Iraq official says "big fat no" to attack on Iran

WASHINGTON, 7 Oct — Iraq's national security adviser said on Friday he strongly opposed any military attack on Iran and, in contrast to the Bush Administration's policy, said the option should not even be considered.

"Attacking Iran? I say a big fat no. It's a fatal mistake," Mowaffak al-Rubaie said. "It should never be an option at all."

The United States accuses Iran of using its nuclear programme to develop atomic weapons and of funding, training and equipping militia groups that attack US troops in Iraq. Teheran denies both charges. President George W. Bush has said repeatedly

that he is committed to diplomacy to resolve the dispute over Iran's nuclear programme but all options remain on the table.

The United States has also said it will aggressively target Iranian agents fomenting violence inside Iraq, but so far US officials have said they see no need for military action inside Iran to disrupt support networks.

Rubaie said any attack on Iran would set the whole Middle East ablaze and Iraq would suffer most. "It is not a strategy. It's a mistake of Chernobyl magnitude," he said, referring to the 1986 nuclear disaster in the former Soviet Union.

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Lt-Gen Myint Swe of Ministry of Defence and the congregation receive the Five Precepts from a Sayadaw at the rice and cash donation ceremony in Insein.— MNA

Wellwishers and families of Tatmadaw...

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 Lt-Gen Myint Swe donated robes and other offertories to the Sayadaw.
 The commander, the minister and the Vice-Mayor and senior military officers presented offertories to the Sayadaws and members of the Sangha.
 On behalf of the families of Tatmadaw (Army, Navy and Air), Yangon Division PDC and other wellwishers and presented certificates of honor to the wellwishers.

Sayadaw and nun.
 Yangon Division PDC, YCDC and other wellwishers donated provisions to the Sayadaw.
 Lt-Gen Myint Swe, the commander, the minister and the Vice-Mayor and senior military officers accepted K 10,245,000 for the fund from Families of Tatmadaw (Army, Navy and Air), Yangon Division PDC and other wellwishers and presented certificates of honor to the wellwishers.

Commander Myint Lwin of Ayeyawady Navy Base reported on the purpose of the donation.
 The sayadaw delivered a sermon, and the congregations gained merit.
 Today's donations included over 303 bags of rice, 1244 viss of edible oil, 2880 viss of iodized salt, 450 viss of gram, 392 boxes of medicine, 418 tubes of tooth paste, 450 packets of chilies powder, 5 viss of fish sauce and K 10,245,000.—MNA



Lt-Gen Myint Swe of Ministry of Defence donates robes and provisions to a Sayadaw.— MNA

Mass rally to support the National...

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 Executive Dr Mya Thida of Magway Division Maternal and Child Welfare Supervisory Committee, member of Magway Division War Veterans Organization Lt-Col Zaw Thein (Retd), townselder Daw Win Maw Tun and townselder U Ye Myint as members of panel of chairmen.
 Executive Daw Han Nilar Tun of Magway Township USDA acted as master of ceremonies and Executive Daw Thazin Aung of Aunglan Township USDA as co-master of ceremonies.
 The master of ceremonies declared the start of ceremony with the permission of the chairman.
 Next, those present on the occasion led by member of Magway Township USDA U Win Maung

saluted the State Flag.
 After that, Rector of Magway University U Htay Maung made a speech. He said that the National Convention, the first step of the seven-step Road Map, was successfully completed on 3 September 2007. The NC laid down fundamental principles and detailed basic principles for the drawing of the State constitution. A peaceful, modern, developed and discipline-flourishing democratic nation is to be built based on the fundamental principles and detailed basic principles.
 The government issued Notification N0 11/92 in 1992 to be able to hold the National Convention. And the coordination meeting for holding the National Convention was held. With the participation of the eight delegate groups the National Convention was held. Over 1000 delegates to the National Convention held

discussions and laid down the fundamental principles. The delegates from all walks of life including those who had returned to the legal fold have been able to lay down the fundamental principles and detailed basic principles as they held discussions in all seriousness putting in the fore the interest of the State.
 The State constitution is a matter of life and death. Therefore, we support the National Convention that gives rise to the emergence of the State constitution. The government will continue to implement the seven-step Road Map. At a time when efforts are being made for the emergence of a modern and developed nation there emerged attempts of internal and external destructive elements to undermine the already-achieved peace and stability. It is obvious that violent protests occurred in
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The ceremony to support the National Convention and the constitution in progress at Magway Airport in Magway.— MNA



Local people of Magway marching to the ceremony to support the National Convention and the constitution.— MNA

Mass rally to support the...

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September are just the schemes and acts of the destructive elements. The destructive elements created such unrest to coincide with the meetings of United Nations, UN Security Council, UN Human Rights Council and the arrival of UN Secretary-General's Special Envoy Mr Gambari in Myanmar. Their intention was to grasp State power through short cut using the UN Security Council as a tool. In that regard, they applied some foreign radio stations to make international community misunderstand the nation. As the government handled the situation with care their wicked scheme has met with failure. At present, the situation is back to normal.

The people favour peace and stability. The people oppose unrest and violence. The protests staged by some monks and destructive elements were detrimental to peace and stability in the nation. Hence, the entire people

hand in hand with the Tatmadaw and the government are to ward off such dangers of destructive elements in accord with the four-point people's desire.

In conclusion, he disclosed that at a time when efforts are being made for the emergence of a peaceful modern and developed nation the entire people are to get rid of the dangers of the destructive elements. And they are to actively take part in the drive for success of the seven-step Road Map by doing their bit with Union Spirit and nationalistic spirit.

Next, Executive U Han Maung of Magway Division USDA seconded the motion to support the National Convention and the constitution and to oppose the destructive acts harming peace and stability. He said that the National Convention in which delegates from all walks of life have participated highlights national solidarity. The peace groups that had returned to the legal fold

have the right to participate in the National Convention. Thanks to concerted efforts the delegates of various strata to the NC have been able to lay down fundamental principles and detailed basic principles. Therefore, the constitution soon to emerge will be able to guarantee the flourishing of Union Spirit and non-disintegration of the Union.

The first three objectives of the NC are Our Three Main National Causes that is the national policy, the fourth objective is the flourishing of a genuine multi-party democracy. This was laid down after abolishing a single party system in accord with the wishes of the people. The fifth objective is further burgeoning of the noblest and worthiest of worldly values such as justice, liberty and equality. This was laid down in the interest of the State. The last objective is the Tatmadaw to be able to participate in the national political leadership role of the future State. This was laid down for ensuring

national defence and security.

The constitution is a main law to enforce political, economic and social sectors of the State. Hence, in the process of transition to democracy a constitution that is in line with the new era and system is required. The new constitution must be in conformity with own nation and own race. As over 1000 delegates to the National Convention held discussions in all seriousness the NC was able to lay down fundamental principles and detailed basic principles.

The fundamental principles and detailed basic principles have been stated in 15 chapters. The fundamental principles laid down as to the formation of the State have further guaranteed the perpetuation of

who had experienced the '88' unrest favour only peace and stability and oppose unrest and violence.

We also favour peace and stability and oppose unrest and violence. So, the mass rally we hold today condemn those who are harming peace and stability.

The fundamental principles and detailed basic principles will surely guarantee the perpetuation of the Union which is home to over 100 national races. We support the National Convention and the constitution in order that the constitution can be drawn in accord with the wishes of the entire national people.

Next, member Daw Khin Maw Maw Chit of Magway District Women's Affairs Organization seconded the motion

in time. All national races in Myanmar have lived through thick and thin since time immemorial. Neo-colonialists in collusion with internal stooges are attempting to break up the national consolidation.

The Government is striving for evolution of market-oriented economy overcoming obstacles of anti-government groups. Due to such concerted efforts, the entire people have enjoyed fruits of unprecedented development and a peaceful modern developed discipline-flourishing democratic nation that all the people long for will certainly emerge very soon. Anti-government groups are committing destructive acts through various means to cause unrest like "88" disturbance in the nation and to delay the National



Local residents taking part in the ceremony to support the National Convention and the constitution.— MNA

sovereignty. As self-administered division and self-administered zones are included the national brethren will be able to administer their regions through the constitution.

At a time when efforts are being made in the process of transition to democracy there have emerged attempts of destructive elements to undermine the implementation of the seven-step Road Map. However, the National Convention has been successfully completed. In their attempts to destroy the National Convention they provided destructive elements with financial assistance to conduct a spate of courses including explosive course. They even incited monks who are studying Pariyatti literature to take to street so that they can create a situation like the '88' unrest. However, people

calling for the support of the National Convention and State Constitution. She said that the ultimate goal of the State and the people is to build a peaceful modern developed discipline-flourishing democratic nation. The entire national people with the same opinion are to march toward the ultimate goal upholding Our Three Main National Causes. The national duties handed down in successive eras are to preserve Non-disintegration of Union, further strengthen national solidarity and safeguard perpetuation of sovereignty.

Non-disintegration of the Union is the life-blood for the State and the people. Some nations in the world encountered break-ups of Union. Myanmar was on the verge of disintegrating its Union for several times and Tatmadaw managed to control such bad situations

Convention and the State Constitution. They took advantage of monk protests to grab the power by short-cut.

Internal and external saboteurs are attempting to grab the state power capitalizing on the instigation of BBC, VOA, RFA and DVB. With the accusations that Myanmar's political situation is harming regional stability, the destructive elements demanded for taking action against the nation. Some powers are making attempts to install a puppet government. Expatriates are creating such destructive acts to obtain cash assistance from some powers under the pretext of democracy. Destructive acts are actually against the ongoing seven-step Road Map. However, the people do not accept such

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Local residents participating in the ceremony to support the National Convention and the constitution.— MNA

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adverse conditions experienced in the past and thus expressed their desire staging mass rallies to support the National Convention and the State Constitution across the



Chairman U Htay Maung, Rector of Magway University.— MNA

country. Tens of thousands of people opposed anti-government groups and their fellows in the respective townships.

Voices of the entire national people who are staging mass rallies blotted out those of anti-government groups who are speaking ill of the National Convention and the State Constitution. Thus I absolutely support the National Convention and the State Constitution and oppose the destructive elements who are attempting to disrupt the stability of the State.

Daw Nu Nu Aung, a member of Gangaw District Maternal and Child Welfare Association Supervisory Committee, seconded the motion calling for support of the National Convention and the forthcoming constitution and denouncing those who undermined the stability of the State.

The country had to face with the situation in which independence and sovereignty was about to be lost due to the 1988 disturbances. Therefore the Tatmadaw took up the State duties according to the



U Kyaw Win Myint of Minbu Township.
MNA

historical need. The government warded off internal and external danger and tried to build peace and stability and it also built national reconsolidation. The National Convention Steering Committee was formed in accord with the desire of the people.

Three coordination meetings were held for holding the National Convention. The meetings were attended by members of NC Steering Committee, representatives-elect from



Executive U Han Maung of Magway Division USDA.— MNA

political parties and independent representatives.

If multiparty democracy system is practiced in one country, a constitution that guarantees the interest of the people rather than that of party organizations will have to be drawn. The government provided necessary assistance and members of NC Steering Committee, representatives-elect from political parties and independent representatives discussed the number of delegates to the National Convention, designating the category of the delegates and laying down the objectives.

It is the National Convention that represents the entire people and it is the widest and most serious one that has ever been held in Myanmar history.

Those who hold negative views are very few but those who support the National Convention and the forthcoming constitution are many. The mass rallies in states and divisions showed this.

I seriously second the motion calling for support of the National Convention and the forthcoming constitution and denouncing those who undermined the stability of the State.

Chairman of Gangaw District War Veterans Organization Supervisory Committee Captain Sein

Hla (Retd) seconded the motion calling for support of the National Convention and the forthcoming constitution and denouncing those who undermined the stability of the State.

The National Convention is the widest and most serious one that has ever been held in Myanmar history. It is important to draw the State constitution. The State and the people had to encounter difficulties as the previous constitutions. The detailed basic principles were laid down in the interest of the people.

The government is implementing the noble objectives in accord with the desire of the people. We find that internal and external elements undermine the endeavours of the government. Neocolonialists who want to



Daw Khin Maw Maw Chit, Member of Magway Division WAO.—MNA

dominate the Union and internal traitors are making attempts to weaken the national solidarity. The people will prevent their acts and continue to make efforts for the success of the seven-point Road Map.

I second the motion calling for support of the National Convention and the forthcoming constitution and denouncing those who undermined the stability of the State as the National Convention completed does bring about the interest of the people.

In support of the NC and the forthcoming constitution, U Saw Win Maung said in order to thwart the deteriorating situation, the Tatmadaw unavoidably took over State responsibilities on 18 September 1988. Since then, it has been realizing the four political objectives and could build national reconsolidation after making peace with 17 national race armed groups and other small armed groups. Moreover, the government was able to build development infrastructures for the

emergence of a peaceful, modern and developed democratic nation.

With peace and stability, the State is enjoying significant progress in all aspects. A network of facilities have been built in Magway Division such as the airport, bridges, railroads, universities and colleges, dams, river-water pumping stations and industrial zones. These are due to the cooperative efforts of the Tatmadaw and the people.

For the emergence of a peaceful, modern and developed democratic nation, the government has held the National Convention in accord with the seven-step Road Map to draw a constitution. No doubt, the efforts being exerted for the emergence of the constitution means plans to systematically transfer State power. But, as such a time like this, those who try to harm the effort for democratic transition, those who want to grab power through short-cut and



Daw Nu Nu Aung, Member of Gangaw District MCWSC.— MNA

lackeys of aliens are instigating unrest in the nation. So, all the people are warned against such destructive acts.

Overall, all are to welcome the constitution based on the basic principles laid down by the National Convention and to support the forthcoming constitution.

In support of the National Convention and the forthcoming constitution, U Kyaw Win Myint of Minbu District said the first point included in the basic principles laid down by the National Convention is Our Three Main National Causes. Another point mentioning the flourishing of multiparty democracy system is also included.

The points regarding political parties, they are required to uphold Our Three Main National



Daw Han Nilar Tun (left), Executive of Magway Township USDA, and Daw Thazin Aung, Executive of Aunglan Township USDA.— MNA

Causes and responsible for being loyal to the State. And other essential requirements are respecting the state constitution, upholding national cause and avoiding being influenced by aliens. This point a significant characteristic to be included in the constitution. The point that says the Tatmadaw is to play a part in the national political leadership role. This point was adopted to be able to safeguard Our Three Main National Causes and the lives and property of the people. In addition, the point in which the Tatmadaw is responsible for safeguarding the constitution is noteworthy



Capt Sein Hla (Retd) of Gangaw District WVO.— MNA

for ensuring the perpetuation of the future democratic nation.

Nowadays, internal and external destructive elements are trying to install a puppet government by instigating chaos and disturbances in the nation. Foreign broadcasting stations are also making fabrications to get the international community to misunderstand Myanmar with intention of harming peace and stability of the State.

Under the pretext of fuel price hikes, internal and external destructive

elements conspired that the monks would take to the streets and stage protests. Therefore, the people in Magway Division who want to live in peace absolutely oppose such destructive acts. They are taking part in the implementation of seven-step Road Map joining hands with the Government. They are in support of the National Convention that could lay down detailed basic principles to draw the State Constitution.

The State Constitution that is in conformity with the prevailing conditions of the country will surely emerge very soon due to harmonious efforts of delegates from all walks of life. In this regard, all the national people are to approve the Constitution to be realized. Therefore, I absolutely support the National Convention and the State Constitution and oppose those attempting to disrupt the stability of the State.

Next, the chairman of the mass rally sought approval



U Saw Win Maung of Taungdwingyi Township.— MNA

of those present and they unanimously support the National Convention and the State Constitution.

Then, those present chanted slogans and the mass rally ended at 8.50 am.

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Agricultural sector, engine for national development

Maung Maung Kyaw

As Myanmar is an agro-based country efforts are being made for development of agriculture as the base and all-round development of other sectors of the economy as well. Agriculture contributes not only to ensuring food security of the people but also to improvement of socio-economic life of farmers and regional development.

Therefore, priority is being given to the development of agricultural sector that is indispensable for the development of national economy. As a result, Ayeyawady Division was able to put over 3.6 million acres under monsoon paddy and over 1.2 million acres under summer paddy in 2007. Likewise, Bago Division was able to put 3 million acres under monsoon paddy, 400,000 acres under summer paddy, 1.6 million acres under gram and over 500,000 acres under edible oil crops. And in Yangon Division over 1.1 million acres were put under monsoon paddy,

over 200,000 acres under summer paddy and 30,000 acres were put under double cropping of paddy. Similarly, in Mandalay Division over 1 million acres were put under monsoon paddy and over 200,000 acres under summer paddy. In Mon State 1 million acres were put under monsoon paddy, over 30,000 acres under edible oil crops and over 300,000 acres under rubber.

In Shan State (East) 300,000 acres were put under monsoon paddy, over 30,000 acres under summer paddy and over 6,000 acres under groundnut in 2007. In Kachin State over 500,000 acres were put under monsoon paddy. In Kayin State over 500,000 acres were put under monsoon paddy, over 100,000 acres under summer paddy and over 50,000 acres under edible oil crops.

In Rakhine State over 20,000 acres were put under summer paddy and some 3,000 acres under rubber. In Magway Division over 160,000 acres were put under onions. In Chin State over 5,000 acres were put

under tea in 2007.

Beans and pulses constitute the second largest grown in the nation after paddy. In the past, the growing of beans and pulses was on the decrease for various reasons. At present, the sown acreage of crop is on the increase. The crop has been grown widely for both local consumption and export in line with the market-oriented economic system.

tons of gram were exported. Myanmar is the largest exporter of beans and pulses among ASEAN nations as it produces various kinds of crops.

The significant progress in the agricultural sector can be attributed to the full application of farm equipment, the participation of entrepreneurs in import-substitute crop cultivation and the growing of cash



Thriving Hsinthwelat paddy plantation in Kawparan Village, Mudon Township, Mon State.



Poppy-substitute crops plantation in Mongla region, Shan State (East).

Beans and pulses grown for export are mung, green gram, pigeon pea, soya bean, cow pea and peanut. In 1988, 0.017 million tons of gram were exported. In 2007, some 7 million

crops and perennial crops on a commercial scale by farmers who are freely engaged in farming.

Moreover, the State is encouraging and helping the agriculture sector to improve more by laying down five objectives — reclamation of land, use of irrigation water, improvement of machine power, improvement of technology and use of quality strains. For boosting agricultural production, manual farming has been changed into mechanized farming and Leya 16 power tillers and Leya 22 power tillers are being used for agricultural purposes.

Although cultivable land in Myanmar was 23.8 million acres in 1988, now it has reached 46.34 million acres. In 1988 double cropping acreage was 39 million but now it is 168 million. Monsoon paddy acreage was over 11 million in 1988 and it has now reached 17 million. Although there was no acreage of summer paddy in 1988, now more than 2 million acres have been put under summer paddy. Therefore, only 630 million baskets of paddy were produced in 1988, but up to 1477 million baskets could be produced in 2007. Now the acreage of various

beans and pulses is 10 million acres, up from 2 million in 1988; the corn acreage is 0.8 million, up from 0.3 million in 1988; the tea acreage is now 0.2 million, up from 0.05 million in 1988; the groundnut acreage is 17 million, up from 13.5 million in 1988; the sesame acreage is 3.3 million up from 0.9 million in 1988; and the sunflower acreage is 1.1 million, up from 0.5 million in 1988.

Agriculture is Myanmar's main economy. As the already reclaimed land is not proportional to the increasing population, agricultural undertakings are being carried out speedily after more and more land has been reclaimed. All in all, with a view to feeding the increasing population as well as future generations, more efforts are being exerted to improve the agriculture sector of Myanmar.

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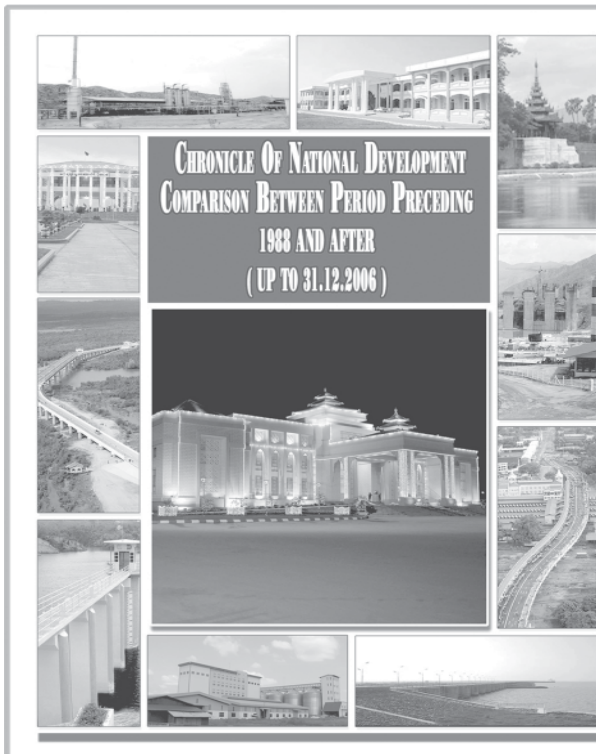
New Australian fighters to get top US weapons

WASHINGTON, 6 Oct—The Bush Administration has proposed to sell Australia a weapons package valued at up to 617 million US dollars for a new fleet of 24 Boeing Co F/A-18E/F Super Hornet aircraft.

Notification of the proposed deal was sent to Congress Thursday by the Pentagon's Defence Security Cooperation Agency, which handles US government-to-government arms sales.

Australia is seeking 43 Raytheon Co-built AIM-9X Sidewinder air combat missiles, 50 AGM-154 air-to-surface Joint Standoff Weapons and 18 AN/ASQ-228 Advanced Targeting Forward-Looking Infrared pods, the announcement said.

The pods are designed to pinpoint targets on the ground by day or night. Also included would be 24 sets of radio frequency countermeasures, 90 helmet-mounted weapons-cueing systems and related gear valued at 617 million US dollars if all options are exercised.—MNA/Reuters



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Former Nigerian minister becomes MD of World Bank

WASHINGTON, 6 Oct—World Bank President Robert B Zoellick appointed on Thursday former Nigerian finance and foreign minister Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala as a managing director of the World Bank.

In her new position, Okonjo-Iweala will have responsibility for the

World Bank's Africa, South Asia, and Europe and Central Asia Regions. She will also take oversight responsibility for Human Resources. Her appointment is effective 1 December.

"Ngozi brings a unique set of skills and experience to the World Bank Group," said Zoellick in a

statement. "As an outstanding Minister of Finance and Foreign Minister in Nigeria, Ngozi helped lead the country's reform programme on issues of fiscal prudence, transparency of government accounts, good governance, and anti-corruption."

MNA/Xinhua

US airlines' on-time performance failed in August

WASHINGTON, 6 Oct—Almost one in three US airline flights failed to arrive on time in August, the second-worst performance ever for the month, as 2007 stayed on a record pace for delays, *The Washington Post* reported Thursday.

Just 72 per cent of

August flights arrived on schedule, a drop from 76 per cent a year earlier, the Transportation Department said in a report Wednesday.

The only August with a lower on-time rate was in 2000, with 70 per cent. This year, 72 per cent of arrivals have been on time, the worst turnout

since the current measurement of the figures began in 1995.

Among larger carriers, United Airlines had the lowest August on-time rate, at 66 per cent; and the US Airways had the lowest in the year's first eight months, at 64 per cent.

MNA/Xinhua

25 insurgents killed in firefight near Baquba

BAGHDAD, 6 Oct—US troops killed at least 25 members of Shiite militiamen during heavy fighting early Friday in the area west of Baquba, the capital of Diyala Province, the US military said. According to intelligence reports, the US troops targeted a Special Group commander, who believed to be associated

with members of the Iranian Revolutionary Guard — Quds Force, the military said in a statement. The suspect "was responsible for facilitating criminal activity and is involved in the movement of various weapons from Iran to Baghdad," the statement said.

During the raid on the

targeted area, the troops received heavy fire from a group of armed men, prompting the soldiers to return fire and called for air support, according to the statement.

It said that the fighting resulted in the killing of an estimated 25 insurgents and the destroying of two buildings.

The Special Groups are Shiite militia extremists funded, trained and armed by external sources, specifically by Iranian Revolutionary Guards Corps Quds Force operatives. Previously, the US military said the Special Groups have evolved over the past three years into what are largely rogue elements that use a cellular structure to operate independently.

The US forces frequently accuse Iran of arming and training Iraqi militias to stir up chaos in the war-torn country. But Iran denies.

MNA/Xinhua

Roadside bomb kills mayor of Iraqi town south of Baghdad

BAGHDAD, 6 Oct—A roadside bomb explosion killed the mayor of Iskandriya Town in Babel Province south of Baghdad along with four of his bodyguards on Thursday, a provincial police source said.

"A roadside bomb went off near the procession of Abbas Hamza al-Khafaji, mayor of Iskandriya Town, some 50 kilometres south of Baghdad, while heading to his work in the morning, killing him, four of his bodyguards and wounding another," the source told *Xinhua* on condition of anonymity.

The powerful blast destroyed two vehicles of Khafaji's convoy, including his vehicle, the source said. Also in Iskandriya, gunmen shot dead late on Wednesday night Brigadier Ihsan al-Tai, an police officer in the town, the source added.

Iskandriya along with several major towns in Babel Province are known as the "Triangle of Death," which is the hotbed of both anti-US insurgency and sectarian conflict between Sunni and Shiite inhabitants.—MNA/Xinhua

BBC official resigns over report about Queen

LONDON, 6 Oct—The head of the BBC's flagship BBC One television resigned on Friday after a report faulted him for wrongly implying Queen Elizabeth had stormed out of a photo shoot in anger.

The incident was an embarrassment for the British public service broadcaster, which has faced a number of scandals this year including an unprecedented fine for faking the results of a phone-in contest on a popular children's show.

Unveiling the station's forthcoming lineup to

journalists three months ago, BBC One Controller Peter Fincham presented footage from a documentary showing the Queen apparently storming out of a shoot with celebrity photographer Annie Leibovitz.

That led to a host of tabloid newspaper headlines mocking the Queen's apparent tantrum.

But in fact the queen had not stormed out. Footage of her entering the room had been edited out of sequence to make it look like she was exiting in a huff.

Fincham resigned on Friday after a BBC report found that although the broadcaster did not intend to deceive, it had not done enough to ensure that its presentation was truthful.

"A vital relationship — that between the BBC and the Royal Household — had been, at the very least, placed under strain, and the reputation of the BBC, already having sustained recent damage over the issue of trust, was further tarnished," the report, published on the broadcaster's website, found.

MNA/Reuters

Plane crashes, pilot killed in California

LOS ANGELES, 6 Oct—A small plane crashed in San Bernardino, California on Friday, killing the pilot flying alone. The plane was flying from California's Long Beach to Henderson, Nevada when it crash-landed into the median divider at the Cajon Pass on Interstate 15 near Oak Hills Road in San Bernardino.

Air traffic controllers lost radar and radio contact with the single-engine Piper PA28 before it crashed, said Federal Aviation Administration spokesman Ian Gregor.

Gregor said the pilot died in the crash onto a hilly area between the lanes.

No lanes were closed, but television traffic reporters said the commute was slowed by gawkers.—MNA/Xinhua

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Internet spreading in China's rural areas

BEIJING, 6 Oct—The Internet has been extending fairly rapidly in China's rural areas, with the number of rural net users reaching 37.41 million by the end of June, approximately 5.1 percent of the total of rural population.

Statistics from the National Development and Reform Commission (NDRC) show that at the same time urban netizens had reached 125 million, or 21.6 percent of urban population.

China's rural net users were 23.1 million at the end of 2006, indicating that in six months 14.3 million farmers newly got access to the Internet.

NDRC's report said the rapidly improving telecommunications infrastructure in rural areas has obviously facilitated the increase of net users.

In its 11th Five-Year Program (2006-2010), the Ministry of Information Industry vowed to extend



The Internet has been extending fairly rapidly in China's rural areas, with the number of rural net users reaching 37.41 million by the end of June, approximately 5.1 percent of the total of rural population. — XINHUA

phone service to every village and enable every township to have access to Internet.

The main force of rural net users are young farmers and migrant

workers, who can use computers to enjoy on-line music, games and videos as skillfully as urban users. However, rural net users rarely use the Internet for news, on-line shopping,

on-line banking and trading stocks.

In some rural areas, the Internet has been used for special purposes featuring agricultural information and technologies and price information of farm produce, among others.

Liu Manqiang, deputy director of the Information Research Centre under the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, said that "information communication can bring about huge added value, an important goal of the country's information drive is to enable more farmers to benefit from the development of information industry."

Xinhua

Report says WW II soldiers' remains for sale in PNG

SYDNEY, 6 Oct— Selling the remains of fallen US, Australian and Japanese World War II soldiers has become a lucrative business in Papua New Guinea, with a complete human skeleton fetching 20,000 US dollars, local media reported on Friday.

The South Pacific archipelago's Post-Courier newspaper said the skeleton was sold last month, and that plastic bags filled with bones were being sold for the equivalent of between two US dollars and 24 US dollars. Sanananda and surrounding areas saw fierce battles and heavy death tolls between Japanese and allied US and Australian forces between November 1942 and January 1943 and was regarded as a turning point in eventually repelling the Japanese forces from what was then New Guinea.

Albert Awai, chief of Sanananda Village, said government authorities were failing to detect the sale of the remains which had become a big industry, the newspaper reported in its online edition.

The recovered remains of thousands of Australian troops are interred at cemeteries in Papua New Guinea. But the remains of hundreds of other Australians killed during the fighting were never recovered.

MNA/Reuters

Babies help fight cancer cells in mothers

BEIJING, 4 Oct—Having children could reduce the risk of contracting breast cancer as cells with strong protective characteristics are transferred from the baby in the womb to the mother, a study shows.

Researchers in Seattle studied 82 women, 35 of whom had been diagnosed with breast cancer, to test a theory that fetal cells which take up residence in the mother — called fetal micro-chimerism - protect against breast cancer. "Most studies have looked at autoimmune diseases where chimerism has been shown to be bad, but so many women harbor micro-chimerism after pregnancy in detectable levels that I reasoned there must be some reason why nature decided this must be a good thing to do," the lead author on the study, VK Gadi, said.

"Perhaps it's this function of clearing cancer cells from your body. Another poThe team at the

University of Washington and Fred Hutchison Cancer Research Centre in Seattle searched blood samples from each participant for male DNA, which was easier to isolate than DNA from a female child.

"I don't have any intrinsic reason to believe that a male child would be any more protective than a female child," Gadi stressed, adding the researchers hope to conduct studies into fetal chimerism from all sources.

Internet

Researchers identify genes that increase rheumatoid arthritis risk

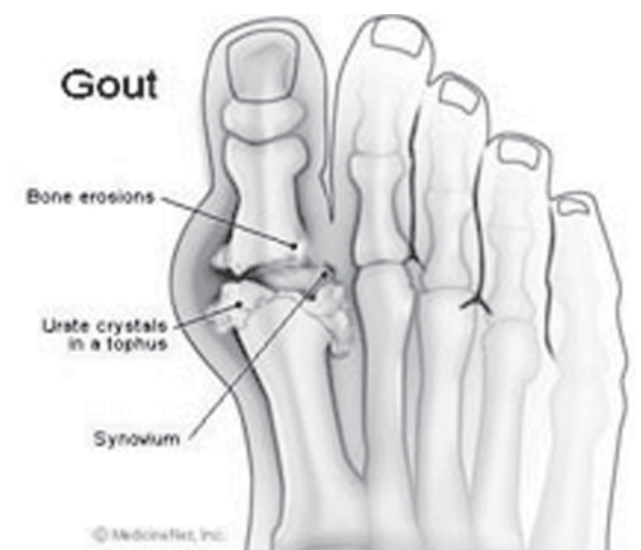
WASHINGTON, 5 Oct— Researchers in the United States and Sweden have identified a genetic region associated with increased risk of rheumatoid arthritis, a chronic and debilitating inflammatory disease of the joints.

The results appeared in the latest issue of the New England Journal of Medicine. The US group compared 908 blood samples from patients with rheumatoid arthritis from 1,282 people without the disease. The Swedish group compared 676 samples from patients with the

disease with 673 controls.

Both groups' searches led them to a region of chromosome 9 containing two genes relevant to chronic inflammation: TRAF1 and C5.

"We were thrilled to find out that TRAF1-C5 showed association not only in the samples that we did but also independently in the Swedish group. By combining our information, we were able to make a much stronger case," says Elaine Remmers of the US National Institute of Arthritis and Musculo-skeletal and Skin Diseases



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XINHUA

American students devise new way to charge cellphones using MFC

LONDON, 6 Oct— A team of American students has designed a less expensive microbial fuel cell (MFC) that runs on plant waste to charge cellphones, the New Scientist magazine reported on Wednesday.

A prototype designed by the students from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Boston, won the first prize of 5,000 US dollars in a contest called MADMEC, sponsored by Dow Chemical to encourage new uses of

materials that allow alternative or non-traditional sources of energy.

The MFCs use electrons released by feeding bacteria on sugars, starches and other organic material to produce electricity.

They have potential in many areas, from sewage plants that are powered by the sludge they are processing, to powering an MP3 player, like Sony's prototype unveiled in August 2007, or even aquatic robots. — *MNA/Xinhua*

(NIAMS) and an author of the study.

Remmers says the TRAF1-C5 region was the third of three major susceptibility chromosomal regions for rheumatoid arthritis identified by their whole genome screen. The first two, HLA-DRB1 and PTPN22, had already been well established.

She says that it's not yet known how the genes in

the TRAF1-C5 region influence the risk of the disease. Nor can scientists say which of the two genes is causing the disease.

"Actually, both genes are very interesting candidates," she says. "They both control inflammatory processes that really are relevant for the disease, so we could easily envision either of them playing a role — or both." — *Xinhua*

SPORTS

Barclays Premier League Table

7 October, 2007

		P	GD	PTS
1	Arsenal	8	13	22
2	Man Utd	9	9	20
3	Man City	9	7	19
4	Liverpool	8	10	16
5	Portsmouth	9	5	15
6	Blackburn	8	3	15
7	Chelsea	9	0	15
8	Aston Villa	8	4	14
9	Newcastle	8	3	14
10	Everton	9	1	13
11	West Ham	8	1	10
12	Reading	9	-8	10
13	Birmingham	9	-4	8
14	Wigan	9	-4	8
15	Middlesbrough	9	-6	8
16	Sunderland	9	-6	8
17	Tottenham	9	-2	7
18	Fulham	9	-4	7
19	Bolton	9	-5	5
20	Derby	9	-17	5

Hibernian go top after winning at Rangers

GLASGOW, 7 Oct — David Murphy scored the only goal to put Hibernian top of the Scottish Premier League with a 1-0 win at Rangers on Saturday.

Rangers suffered their first home defeat of the season after Murphy cracked in a shot after 61 minutes.

The goal-scorer also cleared a Davie Weir header off the line as Hibs came under late pressure.

"We could have nicked one or two more goals but overall I thought we deserved the victory," Hibs manager John Collins told BBC Radio Scotland.

"Rangers being involved in the midweek game (against Olympique Lyon in the Champions League) may have benefited us."

Hibs have 21 points from nine games, with Celtic and Rangers on 19.

Elsewhere, Dundee United inflicted a 1-0 defeat on Motherwell after Darren Dods headed in a Barry Robson corner in the 77th minute.

MNA/Reuters

Answers to yesterday's Crossword Puzzle

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Manchester United go top after win over Wigan

LONDON, 7 Oct — Champions Manchester United went top of the Premier League for the first time this season when they scored four times in the second half to crush Wigan Athletic 4-0 at Old Trafford on Saturday.

Two goals from Cristiano Ronaldo and one

each from Carlos Tevez and Wayne Rooney secured United's sixth successive league win without conceding a goal and took them above Arsenal into first place.

United have 20 points from nine games but Arsenal, who have 19 points from seven, will go back

on top if they beat Sunderland at the Emirates Stadium on Sunday.

In the only other Premier League match played on Saturday, Aston Villa beat West Ham United 1-0 at Villa Park with a 24th-minute free kick from Craig Gardner.

Villa climb from ninth to fifth in the standings with 14 points from their opening eight games.

The rest of the fixtures will be played on Sunday.

United, who had been

struggling for goals this season, dominated the match against their near neighbours but did not make the breakthrough until the 54th minute when Tevez opened the scoring with a superbly taken effort.

He held off a strong challenge from the Wigan defenders before making space for himself and firing low past Chris Kirkland in the Wigan goal.

MNA/Reuters



Competitor races in the roller match in the 2007 International Extreme Sport Challenging Contest in Shenzhen, southeast China's Guangdong Province, on 5 Oct, 2007. The contest was held during the National Day Holiday. Competitors from the United States, Germany and China attended the contest, providing excellent performance with audience. — XINHUA

Karlsruhe beat Schalke to jump up to second

BERLIN, 7 Oct — Christian Timm scored two second-half goals to lead promoted Karlsruhe to second in the Bundesliga with a stunning 2-0 victory at Schalke 04 on Saturday.

It was the fourth away win in five matches for Karlsruhe, the surprise package of the season with 18 points from nine games. Last season's second division champions have also won two of four at home.

Bayern Munich, who host Bavarian rivals Nuremberg on Sunday, are top with 20 points from eight matches.

Champions VfB Stuttgart, reduced to 10 men in the seventh minute when Fernando Meira was sent off for handling in front of his goal, capped a miserable week with a 2-0 home defeat by Hanover 96 after losing to Barcelona in the Champions League. — MNA/Reuters

Late Dernis goal earns St Etienne 1-0 win over Marseille

PARIS, 7 Oct — A last-gap strike by substitute Geoffrey Dernis earned St Etienne a 1-0 victory over Olympique Marseille in an early Ligue 1 game on Saturday.

Midfielder Dernis, who replaced striker Dimitri Payet 14 minutes from time, netted in the 93rd minute with a 20-metre shot that flew under Steve Mandanda's crossbar. Until then, France Under-21 goalkeeper Mandanda had put on a scintillating display, producing some superb saves to deny St Etienne strikers Ilan and Bafetimbi Gomis. — MNA/Reuters

Torres late show denies Spurs win Liverpool 2-2 Tottenham

LONDON, 7 Oct — Fernando Torres' injury-time header rescued a draw for Liverpool.

Liverpool went ahead after Spurs goalkeeper Paul Robinson spilt Steven Gerrard's free-kick and Andriy Voronin pounced to snaffle the rebound.

But Keane's goals at the end of the first half and the beginning of the second changed the game's course.

On both occasions Dimitar Berbatov's headers unsettled Liverpool and Keane's eye for goal proved deadly, but Torres' downward header rescued the home side.

Liverpool might have been three goals up before Keane got to work but Gerrard hit the post and Voronin missed a reasonable chance.

Manager Rafael Benitez made five changes for this game, with Peter Crouch deemed not even worthy of a place on the Liverpool bench.

Voronin and Torres might have scored for Liverpool but this was a performance that will raise further question marks about Benitez's rotational policy.

Overall it was a disjointed performance from Liverpool and Spurs were unlucky not to leave with their first away win of the season.

Internet



Torres has scored four league goals for Liverpool. — INTERNET

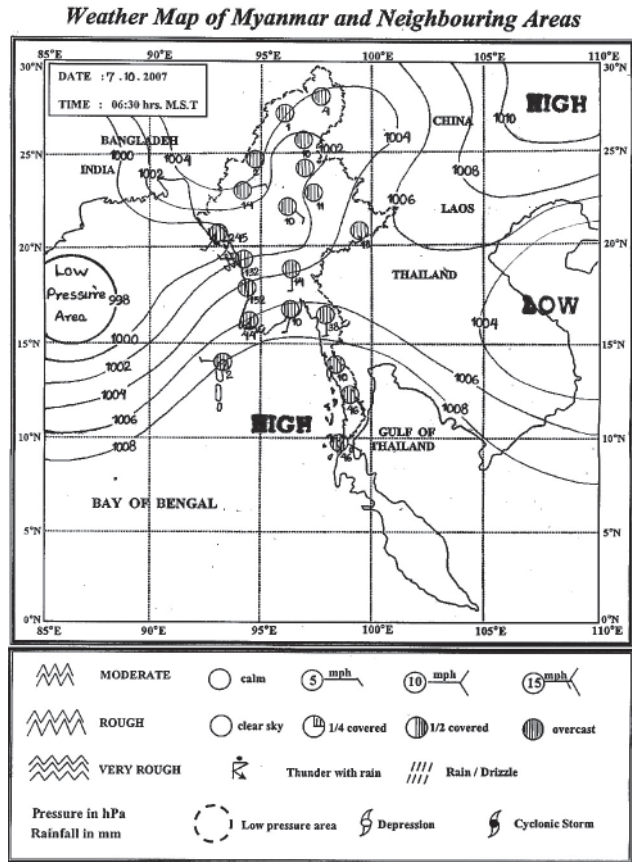
Three US soldiers killed in bomb attacks in Iraq

BAGHDAD, 7 Oct — Three American soldiers were killed and five others injured in two roadside bomb attacks in and north of Baghdad on Friday, the US military said on Saturday. Two soldiers were killed and two others

wounded in a roadside bomb explosion during operations in southeastern Baghdad, the military said in a statement. The soldiers' unit was conducting raids and clearing operations against insurgents and militiamen

in the area, the statement said. A third soldier was killed and three more were wounded when a roadside bomb went off near their vehicle in an area in Salahudin Province, another statement said.

The latest deaths bring the number of US soldiers who have been killed in Iraq to more than 3,810 since the outbreak of the Iraq war in 2003, according to media count based on Pentagon figures. MNA/Xinhua



Beachgoers and surfers relax on Bondi Beach, Sydney's most famous, where the tradition of lifesaving clubs is proudly preserved and the sport of surfing is passed down from generation to generation. —INTERENT

Car bomb wounds 6 in northern Iraq

BAGHDAD, 7 Oct — A car bomb targeted a police patrol blew up in Iraq's northern oil industry hub of Kirkuk City on Saturday, wounding six people, including policemen, a local police source said.

attack Iraqi security forces accusing them of collaboration with US occupation. MNA/Xinhua

"A car bomb parked in front of a residential complex in the Musallah neighbourhood in northern the city of Kirkuk, detonated at about 11:30 am (0830 GMT) near a passing police patrol," Brigadier Burhan Wasif, a police chief in the city told Xinhua by tele-phone. The blast resulted in the damaging of a police vehicle and wounding four policemen aboard, along with wounding two more bystanders, Wasif said. Insurgents frequently



- Monday, 8 October Tune in today**
- 8:30 am Brief news
 - 8:35 am Music -If I only had the heart
 - 8:40 am Perspectives
 - 8:45 am Music -The day and the time
 - 8:50 am National news/Slogan
 - 9:00 am Music -Sweet dreams
 - 9:05 am International news
 - 9:10 am Music: -Billi Balla
 - 1:30 pm News /Slogan
 - 1:40 pm Lunch time music -I know what love is -Anyone of us
 - 9:00 pm Spotlight on the stars (Jimmy Sommerville)
 - 9:10 pm Article
 - 9:20 pm Drug/Women Affairs
 - 9:35 pm Golden Land melody/ Vocal gems -Casablanca -Yes you do
 - 9:45 pm News /Slogan
 - 10:00 pm PEL

"Flood Warning"
(Issued at 12:30 hr MST on 7-10-2007)
According to the (06:30) hr MST observation today, the water level of Sittoung River at Taungoo is (589) cm. It may reach its danger level (600) cm during the next (24) hrs commencing noon today.

"Flood Possibility Warning"
(Issued at 12:30 hr MST on 7-10-2007)
According to the (06:30) hr MST observation today, the water level of Sittoung River at Madauk is (1012) cm. It is possible to reach its danger level (1070) cm during the next (48) hrs commencing noon today.

- TV Myanmar**
Monday, 8 October
View on today
- 7:00 am
 1. ကျေးဇူးရှင်မင်းကွန်း ဆရာတော်ဘုရားကြီး၊ နိုင်ငံတော်သံဃာ မဟာနာယကအဖွဲ့၊ အကျိုးတော်ဆောင်ချုပ်၊ အဘိဓဇမဟာရဋ္ဌဂုရု၊ အဘိဓဇအဂ္ဂမဟာ သဒ္ဓမ္မဇောတိက၊ တိပိဋကဓရ၊ ဓမ္မဘဏ္ဍာဂါရိက၊ ဆရာတော်ဘဒ္ဒန္တဝိစိတ္တသာရာ ဘိဝံသ၏ ပရိတ်တရားတော်
 - 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. Song of national races
 - 8:10 am
 6. Cute little dancers
 - 8:20 am
 7. အဆိုပြိုင်ပွဲ
 - 8:30 am
 8. International news
 - 8:45 am
 9. Grammar Made Easy
 - 4:00 pm
 1. Martial song
 - 4:15 pm
 2. ဆောင်းပါးရှင် ဦးလှကာ၏ "သိနားလည် သင့်ပြီ သူငယ်ချင်း"
 - 4:30 pm
 3. Songs to uphold National Spirit
 - 4:45 pm
 4. Musical programme
 - 4:55 pm
 5. အဝေးသင်တက္ကသိုလ် ပညာရေး ရုပ်မြင်သံကြား သင်ခန်းစာ-တတိယနှစ် (သတ္တဗေဒအထူးပြု) (သတ္တဗေဒ)
 - 5:05 pm
 6. Dance variety
 - 5:15 pm
 7. မြန်မာစာ မြန်မာစကား
 - 5:25 pm
 8. Musical programme (The Radio Myanmar Modern Music Troupe)
 - 7:35 pm
 9. Song and dance of national races
 - 5:45 pm
 10. ဂုဏ်ရတနာ (၁၅)ကြိမ်မြောက် မြန်မာ့ရိုးရာယဉ်ကျေးမှု အဆို၊ အက၊ အရေး၊ အတီး ပြိုင်ပွဲဝင်များလေ့လာနိုင်ကြရန် (မဟာဂီတ)(ဝါသနာရှင် (ပထမတန်း)အဆင့်) (အမျိုးသား/အမျိုးသမီး)
 - 6:00 pm
 11. Evening news
 - 6:30 pm
 12. Weather report
 - 6:35 pm
 13. အလှူရှာမယ်လှကမ္ဘာဝယ်
 - 7:00 pm
 14. (၂၄)ကြိမ်မြောက် အရှေ့တောင်အာရှ အားကစားပြိုင်ပွဲဝင်မည့် မြန်မာအားကစားအဖွဲ့များ၏ ကြိုတင်ပြင်ဆင်မှုများ (ပိုက်ကျော်ခြင်း)
 - 7:15 pm
 15. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "ချစ်သောရွှေနေ့ခြည်" (အပိုင်း-၁၈)
 - 8:00 pm
 16. News
 17. International news
 18. Weather report
 19. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "ပြေးလှည့်ပါချစ်သူရယ်" (အပိုင်း-၁၂)
 20. The next day's programme

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- ★ We favour stability.
- ★ We favour peace.
- ★ We oppose unrest and violence.

- ★ RFA, VOA and BBC airing skyful of lies
- ★ RFA, VOA and BBC saboteurs, watch your step!
- ★ The public be warned of
killers in the air waves —
RFA, VOA and BBC

- ★ Skyful liars attempting to destroy nation
- ★ BBC lying
VOA deceiving
RFA setting up hostilities
- ★ Beware! Don't be bought by those slickers

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- The next step of the Road Map is to approve the State constitution through a referendum after drafting it.
- Now, those responsible are making arrangements to draft the State constitution and collect the list of voters.
- When the State constitution is approved, the fulfillment of the three demands will be within reach.