

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

Ceremony to support National Convention, forthcoming constitution organized at Youth Training Centre (Thuwuna)

YANGON, 15 Oct— A ceremony to support the National Convention and the forthcoming constitution was organized at Youth Training Centre (Thuwuna), here, on 13 October morning.

The ceremony was attended by townselders from Yangon East, West, South and North Districts, workers, farmers, members of social organizations, entrepreneurs, departmental personnel, students and people totaling over 120,000.

Before the ceremony, Yangon East District column led by U Zaw Aung, South District column led by

U Lwin Oo, West District column led by U Nay Win and North District column led by U Kyaw Tint marched towards Youth Training Centre (Thuwuna) and took their designated places.

Pro-Rector Dr Tun Khin of Yangon University presided over the mass rally together with Executive U Tin Hlaing of Yangon Division Union Solidarity and Development Association, Head of Discipline Department Daw San San Yi of Yangon Division Women's Affairs Organization, Joint Secretary Dr Daw Nwe Ni Ohn of

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The entire people together with the government are resolved to march towards a peaceful, modern and developed discipline-flourishing democratic nation in accord with the seven-step Road Map.



A ceremony to support the National Convention and the forthcoming constitution in progress in Youth Training Centre (Thuwuna) in Yangon.—MNA

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The course remains unchanged; No cause for concern

The government has already proclaimed that it will implement steadfastly the seven-point Road Map in accordance with the people's desires. We will march on. There is no reason to change the course. We warmly welcome those who would join us with genuine goodwill. We will remove all the hindrances and obstacles that may lie ahead.

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

PERSPECTIVES

Tuesday, 16 October, 2007

Strive for development of human resources

In an effort to produce human resources in all the sectors the government is creating learning opportunities reaching rural regions.

The higher education can be pursued not only in major cities in the states and divisions but also in the special development regions.

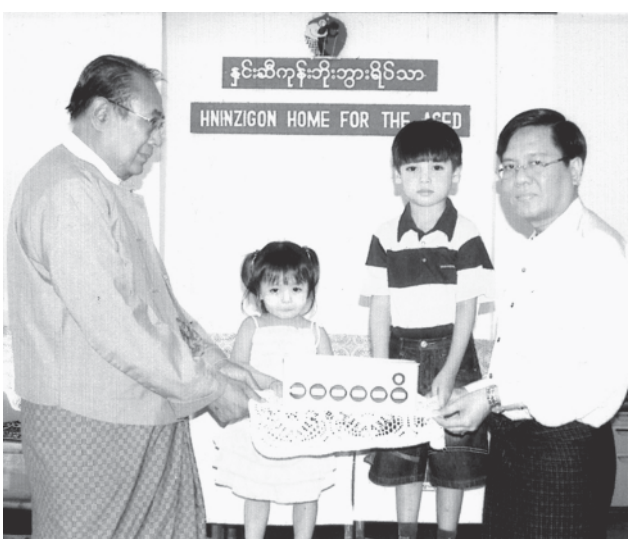
As the national education promotion programmes are being implemented at the respective universities and colleges, remarkable progress has been made in this regard.

Constant efforts are being made for the development of education sector, increasing the number of infrastructures, enhancing the qualification of teachers and modernization of curricula and syllabuses.

In the past, there were only 12 universities and colleges. At present, there are 161 universities and colleges the length and breadth of the nation including border areas. And over 700,000 students of different regions are pursuing higher education.

The higher learning institutions are to strive for the emergence of human resources in all spheres linking the educational field and society while creating an environment providing links among universities and colleges.

This being so, it is incumbent upon all the education personnel to produce intellectuals and technocrats for development of human resources that are indispensable for the emergence of a new modern and developed nation making better use of the already-achieved infrastructures.



Dr Maung Maung Than (Metta Mon Clinic) of Nwethaki Road, Ahlon Township, donated K 100,000 to Hninzigon Home for the Aged recently to mark his birthday. Joint-Treasurer of the Home U Maung Maung Gyi accepts the donation. — H

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

Cash, rice, edible oil and medicines donated to four Pariyatti monasteries, one nunnery in Nay Pyi Taw Pyinmana District



Commander Maj-Gen Wai Lwin and congregation receive the Five Precepts from a Sayadaw at a ceremony to donate provisions to monasteries in Nay Pyi Taw. — MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 14 Oct — Families of Tatmadaw (Army, Navy and Air) and wellwishers donated rice and cash to Paukmyaing Pariyatti Sarthintaik, Myo U Thanlan Pariyatti Sarthintaik, Yadanapon Pariyatti Sarthintaik, Thayettaw Pariyatti Sarthintaik and Ponnami Nunnery at Paukmyaing Pariyatti Sarthintaik in Lewe, Nay Pyi Taw Pyimana District, today.

Also present were Presiding Sayadaw Agga Maha Panditta Bhaddanta Janinda of Paukmyaing Pariyatti Sarthintaik and members of the Sangha, Minister for Religious Affairs Brig-Gen Thura Myint Maung, Vice Adjutant-General Maj-Gen Hla Shwe, senior military officers, departmental officials and donors. First, the congregation received the Five Precepts from the Presiding Sayadaw.

Afterwards, Commander of Nay Pyi Taw Command Maj-Gen Wai Lwin donated provisions to the Presiding Sayadaw. Minister Brig-Gen Thura Myint Maung, Vice Adjutant-General Maj-Gen Hla Shwe, the senior military officers offered provisions to the members of the Sangha.

Vice Adjutant-General Maj-Gen Hla Shwe, Col Myint Tun of Commander-in-Chief (Navy) Office and Col Chan Maung of Commander-in-Chief (Air) Office offered 57 bags of rice and 68 viss of edible oil donated by the Tatmadaw families and wellwishers to

the Presiding Sayadaw and the members of the Sangha.

The Ministry of Religious Affairs donated rice bags, Myanmar Economic Holdings Ltd 64 viss of edible oil, Ministry of Mines and Yangon Division Salt Entrepreneurs Association 402 viss of iodized salt and 47 tubes of tooth paste, Traditional Medicine Department 100 kinds of traditional medicines, Nay Pyi Taw Development Committee seven bags of rice and 21 viss of edible oil, Nay Pyi Taw Pyinmana District PDC five bags of rice, Nay Pyi Taw Lewe Township PDC 15 bags of rice and 40 viss of edible oil and wellwishers 35 bags of rice, U Thein Maung-Daw Pa Pa and U Nyein-Daw Ohin Kyin (OK rice warehouse) ten rice bags each, Daw Myat Myat Naing and U Kay Thaug family ten viss of edible oils each and other wellwishers various kinds of traditional medicine to the Presiding Sayadaw.

Later, the commander, the minister and the military officers accepted K 11,410,500 donated by the wellwishers.

After the donation, they shared merits gained. Today donation includes 139 bags of rice, 145 viss of edible oil, K 1,1410,500 and other provision.—MNA

UMFCCI President meets Vietnamese Commercial Counsellors

YANGON, 15 Oct— President of Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry U Win Myint received Vietnamese Commercial Counsellors Mr Le Hai Chu who had completed his tour of duty and his successor Dr Hoang Think Lam this morning.

Their meeting focused on promoting trade, bilateral cooperation in investment, holding of Vietnam Expo, and participation of General Secretary U Sein Win Hlaing and a representative at

First ASEAN Capitals Business Forum held in Vietnam from 15 to 16 October. Joint-Secretary-1 Dr Maung Maung Lay was also present on the occasion.—MNA

UMFCCI President U Win Myint receives Vietnamese Commercial Counsellors.
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Golf Professional Qualify events on 15, 16 Nov

YANGON, 15 Oct— Golf Professional Qualify events organized by P.G.A Myanmar will be held at Yangon Golf Course (Danyingon), here, on 15 and 16 November.

To qualify for professional level, those from amateur level must have handicap 0 to 9 and the admission fees for the qualify events is K 20,000 per head. Those who wish to take part in the events may enlist at P.G.A Myanmar office, phone numbers 651374, not later than 29 October.—MNA

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Fidel Castro meets with Chavez

HAVANA, 15 Oct—Ailing Cuban leader Fidel Castro, who has not appeared in public since July last year, met on Saturday for more than four hours with his ally Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez, Cuban state television said.

Chavez, on his third visit to Cuba this year, arrived in Havana early on Saturday and will broadcast his weekly radio and television show from the mausoleum where the remains of guerilla fighter

Ernesto "Che" Guevara are entombed in the central Cuban city of Santa Clara.

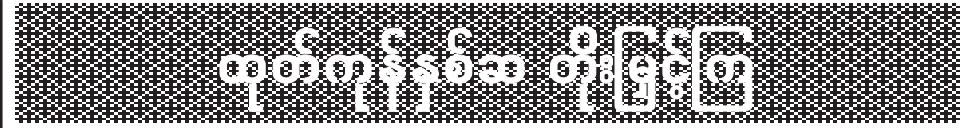
Castro, who looked frail in pictures published last month, is not expected to appear on the show in person. No images of his meeting with Chavez were released on Saturday.

"The two revolutionary leaders discussed the history of our nations, the solid and growing bilateral relations, the situation in Latin America and the most serious problems facing

humanity," a statement read out on Cuban television said.

The 81-year-old Cuban leader handed over power to his brother Raul Castro 14 1/2 months ago after emergency intestinal surgery for an undisclosed illness. His long absence has fuelled rumours about his declining health and uncertainty over the political future of the Western Hemisphere's only Communist-run state after his death.

MNA/Reuters



Cuba's President Fidel Castro (R) reads a book during a meeting with his Venezuelan counterpart Hugo Chavez in Havana on 12 Oct, 2007. Cuba released two photographs of Fidel Castro on Sunday in which the ailing leader looked alert as he stood and chatted with visiting Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez.—INTERNET



Cranes are seen at the foothills of the Acropolis during a transfer operation of artefacts from the Acropolis to a new location some 400 metres away in Athens on 14 Oct, 2007.

INTERNET

Digital products pose biggest threat to book industry

FRANKFURT, 15 Oct—Digital products are considered the biggest threat to the book industry, a survey said.

The survey was conducted among 1,324 publishers from 86 countries and regions. The

results was released on Friday by the organizer of the 2007 Frankfurt Book Fair.

According to the survey, 53 per cent of interviewees consider digital products the biggest threat to the

publishing industry, 11 per cent believe that printed books will be out of date in 50 years, and 23 per cent predict that book shops may be kicked out of the market.

The publishers also list other major challenges to the book industry, such as over-printing, infringement of copyrights and illiteracy.

Juergen Boos, Director of the Frankfurt Book Fair, urged book industry insiders to learn from the music industry, which has successfully adapted itself to the practice of downloading music from the Internet.

At the 2007 Frankfurt Book Fair, over 380,000 books and other related products are exhibited, among which 30 per cent are digital products.

The fair, the world's

largest of its kind, has attracted over 7,400 exhibitors from 108 countries and regions. It opened on 10 October and runs until 14 October.

MNA/Xinhua

Two US soldiers killed in mortar attack in Iraq

BAGHDAD, 14 Oct—Two American soldiers were killed and five others injured in a mortar attack near the Iraqi capital Baghdad, the US military said on Saturday.

The attack occurred on 10 October, the military said in a statement without providing further details, saying the incident is under investigation.

The wounded soldiers were transported immediately to an Army medical facility for treatment and further evaluation, the military said.

The latest deaths bring the number of US soldiers who have been killed in Iraq to about 3,823 since the outbreak of the Iraq war in 2003, according to media count based on Pentagon figures.

MNA/Xinhua



A Cabaret, Haiti resident tries to clean her bed after flood waters ravaged the town on 12 Oct, 2007. Residents of flooded villages where at least 47 people were killed just north of Haiti's capital, on Saturday started to try to pick up the scattered pieces of their lives.—INTERNET

New York police probe second university hate crime

NEW YORK, 13 Oct — Police are investigating a second hate crime at New York's Columbia University after a caricature of a man wearing a yarmulke above a swastika was found on a bathroom door on Thursday.

New York police said that the caricature was drawn in black ink in a men's bathroom at the university's Lewisohn Hall, home of the School of General Studies.

On Tuesday a Black professor discovered a noose outside her office at Columbia's Teachers College, sparking a protest on Wednesday by more than 100 students against the incident.

"I am saddened to report that one of the bathrooms in Lewisohn Hall was sullied with an

anti-Semitic smear. It has been promptly removed and is now being investigated," Columbia's President Lee Bollinger said in a statement.

Tuesday's incident was the second involving a noose to occur this week in New York. Police arrested an 18-year-old woman earlier this week on suspicion of hanging a noose on a tree in her yard and threatening to hang the children of her Black neighbours.

Nooses have long been seen in the United States

as potent symbol of racist lynchings and hatred of blacks and experts speculate they may have replaced the burning cross used by the Ku Klux Klan.

The incidents in New York, known for its racial diversity, follow protests that recently focused nationwide attention on Jena, Louisiana, after three nooses were found hanging from a tree at a high school there last year.

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Visitors view the model of Chang'e I, China's first lunar satellite, during China High-Tech Fair in Shenzhen, south China's Guangdong Province, on 13 Oct, 2007. The satellite, called Chang'e I after the legendary Chinese goddess Chang'e who flew to the moon, was expected to be launched soon. — XINHUA

Infectious diseases claim 741 lives in China in September

BEIJING, 13 Oct — Infectious diseases claimed 741 lives in China in September with nearly 486,000 cases recorded, including the first case of bubonic plague this year, the Chinese Ministry of Health said.

Infectious diseases in China are classified into three categories by the country's Law on the Prevention and Treatment of Infectious Diseases.

Last month, 349,630 cases of A-Class and B-Class infectious diseases occurred, which claimed 735 lives, and

136,229 cases of C-Class infectious diseases occurred, which claimed six lives.

In September, the top five infectious diseases, accounting for 87.45 per cent of the total cases of A and B-Class diseases, were tuberculosis, Hepatitis B, diarrhoea, syphilis and gonorrhoea.

The top five killers were rabies, tuberculosis, AIDS, hepatitis B and neonatal tetanus, according to the ministry. The single case of bubonic plague occurred in north-west China's Gansu Province in September, the first plague case reported so far this year.

Plague, a fatal bacterial

disease transmitted by fleas from infected rats, can be contracted through inhaling airborne particles and through close contact with infected rodents. The most common form, the bubonic plague, results in high fever, delirium and swollen lymph nodes.

According to the Law on the Prevention and Treatment of Infectious Diseases, A-Class infectious diseases include only two diseases, namely plague and cholera, B-Class infectious diseases include 25 diseases such as viral hepatitis and C-Class infectious diseases include ten diseases such as influenza.

MNA/Xinhua

Six killed in Azerbaijan helicopter crash

BAKU, 14 Oct — All six passengers and crew were killed in Azerbaijan on Friday when their helicopter crashed soon after taking off from an offshore oil platform, the state airline said in a statement on Saturday.

The helicopter, with four crew and two

passengers on board, crashed into the Caspian Sea as it evacuated a sick worker from a platform operated by Azerbaijan's state oil company SOCAR. "At 2158 (1658 GMT) on Friday evening a Mi-8T helicopter was involved in an accident. Six people were killed. A search operation

is underway," the Azal airline said in a statement. Azerbaijan produces about 850,000 barrels of oil a day (bpd). SOCAR accounts for about 150,000 bpd, while the rest comes from a BP-led <BP.L> consortium. The helicopter had been chartered by SOCAR.

MNA/Reuters



Delegates from south China's Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region to the 17th national congress of the Communist Party of China (CPC) arrive in Beijing, capital of China, on 12 Oct, 2007. The 17th national congress of the CPC will be opened in Beijing on 15 Oct. — XINHUA

Suicide car bomb kills two in Somalia

MOGADISHU, 13 Oct — At least two Ethiopian soldiers were killed and three other people were wounded in the southern Somali town of Baidoa overnight after a suicide car bomb forced into an Ethiopian military base near a hotel where the Somali Prime Minister was staying, police and residents said Thursday.

"Two Ethiopian soldiers were instantly killed when the suicide car bomber smashed into the (Ethiopian) military base," a senior Somali police officer at the scene told Xinhua by phone.

He asked for anonymity because he is not allowed to speak to the media about security matters. "Some other soldiers were wounded in the huge blast".

Residents in Baidoa say three people

were also wounded and as the explosion was so strong, a nearby hotel, where the Somali Premier Ali Mohamed Gedi was staying, was severely damaged but Gedi is said to be safe.

"I saw three blood-covered people being carried to the hospital from near the Beijing Hotel," resident Ali Yusuf, told Xinhua. "Some windows of the hotel near the base were smashed and the walls were damaged by flying debris from explosion in the Ethiopian camp."

Security in the city was tightened as Ethiopian and Somali soldiers ordered people to leave the streets and searches have been carried out in homes near the Ethiopian Camp on the outskirts of Baidoa, 240 kilometres west of Mogadishu. — MNA/Xinhua



A cat wearing a necklace is seen with its owner in Jablonec nad Nisou, Czech, on 11 Oct, 2007. Czech's jewelry producer Jablonec Group recently issued its jewelry products specially designed for pets. — XINHUA

Wellwishers and families of Tatmadaw (Army, Navy and Air) present provisions to 29 monasteries and eight nunneries in Thingangyun Township



Lt-Gen Myint Swe and congregation receive Five Precepts from a Sayadaw at the ceremony to donate provisions to monasteries and nunneries. — MNA

YANGON, 15 Oct— Wellwishers and families of Tatmadaw (Army, Navy and Air) donated cash and kind to 29 monasteries and eight nunneries in Thingangyun township, Yangon East District, this



Lt-Gen Myint Swe presents offertories to a Sayadaw. — MNA

afternoon.

The ceremony was held at Dhamma Beikman in the precinct of Kyaikkasan Pagoda in the township.

Lt-Gen Myint Swe of the Ministry of Defence presented robes and other offertories to members of the Sangha. Present on the occasion were Presiding Nayaka Sayadaws of the monasteries, nuns of the nunneries in the township, Senior Military officers, Departmental officials, Chairmen and members of the District and townships, members of social organizations and wellwishers.

Lt-Gen Myint Swe and party received Five Precepts from member of the central working committee of the Sangha Presiding Nayaka Sayadaw of Sagaing Sarthintaik Aggha Maha Pandita Bhaddanta Dhamma Nanda .

Lt-Gen Myint Swe donated robes and other offertories to the Sayadaw.

Senior military officers and officials presented offertories to the Sayadaws and members of the Sangha.

On behalf of the families of Tatmadaw (Army,

Navy and Air), three senior military officers presented provisions to Sayadaw and nuns.

Yangon Division PDC, Ministry of Religious Affairs, YCDC and other wellwishers donated provisions to the Sayadaws and members of the Sangha.

Lt-Gen Myint Swe, senior military officers and officials accepted K 20,206,500 for the fund from Families of Tatmadaw (Army, Navy and Air), Ministry of Religious Affairs, Yangon Division PDC and other wellwishers presented certificates of honor to the wellwishers. Commander Min Zaw of Ayeyawady Navy Base reported on the purpose of the donation.

Next, Presiding Nayaka Sayadaw of Sulungu Vipassana Kyaungtaik Tipitakadhara Tipitakakovida Bhaddanta Sundara delivered a sermon, and the congregation shared the merit.

The donations included over 404 bags of rice, over 1,828 viss of edible oil, 2,988 viss of iodized salt, 449 boxes of medicine, 598 tubes of tooth paste, over 597 viss of gram, 450 packets of chilies powder and K 20,206,500.—MNA

Basic Library Course No 2/2007 opens

NAY PYI TAW, 15 Oct — The Information and Public Relations Department of the Ministry of Information opened Basic Library Course No 2/2007 at the meeting hall of the ministry this morning.

Present on the occasion were Director-General of IPRD U Chit Naing, Managing Director U Aung Nyein of Printing and Publishing Enterprise, Managing

Director U Soe Win of News and Periodicals Enterprise, deputy directors-general, general managers, directors, deputy directors, officials, course instructors and trainees.

First, Director-General of IPRD U Chit Naing made a speech on the occasion. A total of 55 trainees are attending the five-week course. — MNA



Director-General U Chit Naing of IPRD delivers an address at Basic Library Course No 2/2007. — MNA

NLD Headquarters has constant contacts with American Embassy

American Embassy staff visited 12 times in September

YANGON, 15 Oct — The National League for Democracy Headquarters has been trying to push Myanmar to become a colonial subjugation and minion instead of keeping in the fore the national cause. All the people have lost confidence and interest in the party because it is maintaining constant contacts with diplomats and embassy staff of some embassies in Yangon and dancing to the tune of some big nations.

The people are keeping an eye on the party because it is being criticized for having constant contacts with American Embassy. The US embassy staff have entered the NLD headquarters on West Shwegondine Street for 11 times in April, 21 times in May, 18 times in June, 11 times in July and 18 times in August.

Similarly, the US embassy staff entered the NLD Headquarters for 12 times in September and met with NLD members and CEC members and carried letters and parcels there. — MNA

The course remains unchanged; No cause for concern

Banya Aung

I have noticed that the United Nations Security Council issued a Presidential Statement on Myanmar on 11 October 2007. I heard that anti-government destructive element groups reported through foreign media that Myanmar would face difficulties and the UNSC would take action against her according to the statement. Internal axe-handlers relayed the broadcasts in order to cause concern and anxiety among the people through agitation and instigation. We will have to review the situation if Myanmar issue is a cause for concern.

Before we say about the Presidential Statement of the UNSC, we will have to study the Charter of the UN. In article 24 of Chapter 5, we find that under the Charter, the Security Council has primary responsibility for the maintenance of international peace and security. Regarding the article, the situation in Myanmar does not constitute a threat to the regional and international peace and security. It is obvious that there is no reason for the UNSC to take action against Myanmar. Those countries that tried to put Myanmar issue on the agenda of the UNSC understand the point. Frequent accusations have been made since 2006 that political situation in Myanmar, refugee and HIV and AIDS issues posed a threat to the regional and international peace and security.

Meanwhile, **neighbouring countries and all ASEAN member nations said that Myanmar issue was not a threat to the regional and international peace and security. It is strange however, that the US which is far away from Myanmar insisted that our country was posing a threat. If human rights, refugees, narcotic drugs, HIV/AIDS issues had posed a threat to the regional and international peace, the SC would have to solve the problems of all the nations of the world. If so, the SC will have to handle the situation in Iraq where there are refugee, security and human rights issues because of the US**

invasion in Iraq. Similarly, the SC will take action against opium producing countries and HIV/AIDS infected countries.

There is a question about SC's involvement in the Myanmar issue. Why does the SC get involved in Myanmar issue? In short, it is because of geo-political situation in post-cold war period. After the Second World War, there was power balance between the two super powers under bi-polar system. But it changed under uni-polar system with the US as the sole super power. The US possesses diplomatic, economic and military powers. Making use of these powers, the US is capable of putting pressure or threatening or organizing big or small nations to make them dance to its tune. With the integration of situation dominated by a single nation and national interest of all nations, Myanmar issue was submitted to the UNSC. We watched and heard international news that some nations with positive attitudes and those that do not want the US hegemonism tried to stop the attempts of the US to pass a resolution instead of issuing a statement in the UNSC. They amended or deleted the terms that did not reflect the prevailing conditions of Myanmar and that unjustly put pressure on Myanmar. We found that the efforts of those nations were successful to some extent. On behalf of Myanmar people we thank them.

If UNSC has handled a situation in which such a presidential statement should not be issued, it is necessary to learn how much impact it has on Myanmar. Anti-government groups inside and outside the nation are making and exaggerating fabricated news to create public panic. They are spreading rumours and propaganda among the people to get more worried about the country's situation and cast doubts about the future of the nation. However, there's no need to worry about the statement if a thorough study is conducted.

According to the procedures and formalities of UNSC, presidential statement and resolution are

different in nature. Resolution must be respected by all the UN members. Presidential statement is issued just for expressing UNSC's attitude. Therefore, the shouts from the anti-government organizations and foreign media saying that action is to be taken against Myanmar are totally pointless.

Besides, foreign media are exaggerating the words included in the statement and making whatever comments they like about it. The fact the UNSC says in its statement that it is important to release political inmates and detainees as soon as possible has been exaggerated by saying Daw Suu Kyi and NLD leaders must be released at once. In reality, there is no one in Myanmar who is in prison for political reasons. There are only those against whom action has been taken in violation of the existing laws. That has been explained again and again by the government. Those who have been taken in custody for their involvement in the recent protests are being released after they have been interrogated. According to the sources dated 7-10-2007, out of the 2093 detainees, 389 monks and 1215 persons have been released. It is clear that the State itself is taking necessary measures as much as it can whether the UNSC says about the issue or not.

Similarly, it is said that UNSC has demanded the government to hold a tripartite dialogue with Daw Suu Kyi and national races. What it really says is that the government needs to pay attention to creating necessary conditions for a genuine dialogue with Daw Suu Kyi and all concerned parties and ethnic groups. Although foreign media are exaggerating the Myanmar issue, they have never mentioned about the point included in the statement that UNSC welcomes Myanmar's public announcement in which the government will cooperate with the UN and a liaison officer has been appointed to contact Daw Suu Kyi.

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Foreign media as well as the anti-government groups are also turning a blind eye to the two more important points. The first is that UNSC calls for cooperation of all concerned parties apart from the government in order to ease the tensions in Myanmar. And the second is that it calls on all concerned parties including the government to fully cooperate with Mr Gambari. These are far important points. This is because according to the past experiences, every time the government offered to forge national reconsolidation, the anti-government groups including NLD used to make use of the offer for political gains. Every time Daw Suu Kyi was released, she always took confrontational course and defied all orders. Even though the National Convention was convened so as to enable the people from political backgrounds to gather together, NLD walked out in the middle of the process. When the NC was reconvened in 2004, NLD was invited and its demands fulfilled. However, NLD members boycotted the National Convention assuming that the NC would not be convened without their participation.

Likewise, internal and external destructive elements perpetrated atrocities such as creating violent unrest and detonating bombs to undermine the process of the seven-point Road Map. Now, the United Nations Security Council pointed out that the government as well as those concerned are responsible for prevalence of peace and stability in the nation. It also expressed its wishes for other organizations concerned and individuals to cooperate with the government at a time when the latter is cooperating with Mr Gambari. It can be assumed that the UNSC has acknowledged the

failure of the government in forging national reconsolidation under a string of pressures. Why did foreign media and the NLD fail to mention those important points? If one ponders it one will vividly see their intention.

Regarding the presidential statement of the UN Security Council the Announcement No 3/2007 of the government expresses the basic principle of the Foreign Policy of the Union of Myanmar to maintain friendly relations with all the countries in the region and in the world and to have close cooperation with the United Nations; this is an acknowledgement of the presidential statement of the UNSC to a certain extent. Practically, the national reconsolidation stated in the presidential statement of the UNSC is just a task being implemented by the Tatmadaw since its assumption of the State responsibilities. Consequently, the Tatmadaw has been able to make peace with 17 national race armed groups that had resorted to armed struggle line for years. And peace has prevailed along with unprecedented progress in the border areas where armed conflicts were quite common in the past.

Similarly, the UNSC also noted that **the government is to create necessary conditions for a genuine dialogue. The relentless efforts of the Tatmadaw for national reconsolidation, community peace and tranquillity, prevalence of law and order and national development as well as human resources development are all meant for creating necessary conditions.** Can there be a dialogue or national reconsolidation be built in the absence of peace and prevalence of law and order? Lessons can be drawn from the incidents of Iraq and Afghanistan. Since 18 September 1988, the Tatmadaw government has been striving for introducing democracy system and market-oriented economic system. It has been doing so not because of the pressures of international community, the UN

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or the UNSC resolution but according to the wishes of the people. Frankly speaking, it was only the Tatmadaw that granted the rights to political parties including the NLD with whom the US and Western countries are on friendly terms to form their parties.

The seven-step Road Map was laid down according to the demand of the nation's prevailing situation. It was done so not by pressure of any other organization or country. The National Convention has already laid down fundamental principles and detailed basic principles for the writing of a new constitution. The mass rallies being held across the nation highlight the attitude of the entire people toward the forthcoming constitution.

However, the presidential statement of the UNSC on Myanmar affairs has emerged for various reasons. We are extremely grateful to friendly nations that stand by Myanmar amidst a series of restrictions and pressures.

There has been growing concern that the presidential statement might be detrimental to the process of the seven-step Road Map. We are confident that the presidential statement is not a matter of concern.

The government has already proclaimed that it will implement steadfastly the seven-step Road Map in accordance with the people's desires. We will march on. There is no reason to change the course. We warmly welcome those who would join us with genuine goodwill. We will remove all the hindrances and obstacles that may lie ahead.

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Yangon Division Maternal and Child Welfare Supervisory Committee, Member of Myanmar War Veterans Organization Lt-Col Thein Naing (Retd), townselders Secretary of Myanmar Pharmaceutical and Medical Equipment Entrepreneurs' Association Dr Saw Hla Tun and Vice-President U Aung Min of Myanmar Rice Dealers' Association as members of the Panel of Chairmen. Member of Mingaladon Township USDA Daw Khin Thazin Myint and Executive Daw Ei Mon Soe of Hlaingthaya Township USDA acted as master of ceremonies and co-MC. First, those present saluted the State Flag.

In his address, Pro-Rector of Yangon University Dr Tun Khin said: The government is implementing the seven-step Road Map to build a peaceful, modern, developed and discipline-flourishing democratic nation. According to the first step of the road map, the National Convention was held with six objectives namely non-disintegration of the Union, non-disintegration of national solidarity, consolidation and perpetuation of sovereignty, flourishing of a genuine multi-party democracy system, further flourishing of noblest and worthiest of worldly values, namely, justice, liberty and equality in the State and for the Tatmadaw to be able to participate in the national political leadership role of the future State.



Chairman and members of panel of chairmen seen at ceremony to support the National Convention and the constitution. — MNA

and equality in the State. Moreover, this constitution vests national races with better rights and thus it is more comprehensive than that of 1947 and 1974.

The National Convention started on 9 January 1993. According to the list presented by political parties, 49

On 27 November 1995, delegates from National League for Democracy sent a letter to the National Convention Convening Commission in which they attacked the National Convention with negative views. With the reason of holding dialogue, they walked out



Local people including townselders, workers, peasants, members of social organizations, businessmen, service personnel, students and residents marching towards the ceremony to support the National Convention and the constitution in Yangon. — MNA



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After holding the National Convention, delegates laid down fundamental principles and detailed basic principles to be included in drafting the constitution. These principles were laid down for flourishing of noblest and worthiest of worldly values, namely, justice, liberty

delegates from 10 political parties were invited. Out of the representatives-elect from political parties, 99 delegates and eight independent representatives-elect were invited. Altogether 702 delegates from eight delegate groups were also invited.

from the National Convention. Therefore, according to the rules and regulations, the NCCC revoked the 86 delegates from NLD on 30 November 1995.

On 30 August 2003, the seven-step Road Map was announced and the National Convention was reconvened on 17 May 2004. Over 1,000 delegates from eight delegate groups participated in it. Delegates, with genuine goodwill, laid down basic principles and the National Convention successfully completed on 3 September 2007. Successful holding of the National Convention is a thorn in the flesh for US and their minions and power-maniac NLD and the so-called '88' generation student group. As they did not want the constitution they tried to achieve political gains by inciting unrest using the Sasana. BBC, VOA, RFA and DVB prevented slanderous news. CNN also instigated unrest round the clock. This shows the evil mind of these broadcasting stations and it is important for the people for not to be misled by them.

Some powerful countries dislike this constitution because it guarantees self-determination and bars others from meddling in the internal affairs of our country.

The entire people together with the government resolved to march towards a peaceful, modern and developed discipline-flourishing democratic nation in accord with the seven-step Road Map.

In conclusion, I would like to say that destructive acts of destructionists within and without the country must be warded off and urge the people to support the National (See page 9)



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Pro-Rector of Yangon
University. — MNA



U Myint Oo, Secretary
of Kayan Township
USDA. — MNA

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Convention and the forthcoming constitution.

Secretary U Myint Oo of Kayan Township Union Solidarity and Development Association tabled a motion calling for opposing the destructive acts of internal and external saboteurs and supporting the National Convention and upcoming Constitution. He said that over 1,000 delegates of the eight delegate groups exchanged views and held discussions to lay down detailed basic principles upholding the interests of the Union at the successfully-finished National Convention. Moreover, the National Convention will draw the upcoming State Constitution through democratic systems and seek approvals from the entire national people.

The detailed basic principles laid down by the already-finished National Convention were drawn based on prevailing conditions of the nation. Therefore, they are different from those of the previous ones. Under the basic principles laid down, apart from seven states and divisions, one self-administered area will be formed for Wa nationals, and five self-administered zones for Naga, Dhanu, Pa-O, Palaung and Kokang.

At a time when the first step of the seven-step Road Map of the State is being implemented, Neo-colonialists attempted to cause unrest in the country and impose economic sanction on Myanmar through one-sided pressure of some powers. Under the pretext of high prices of fuel, the recent protests

occurred in the country at the instigation of Neo-colonialists and lackeys. Foreign radio stations—VOA, RFA, BBC and DVB that were airing skyful of lies every day.

When the destructive group failed to organize the people to take to the street, they penetrated into the monks and created the disturbance. Nowadays, the entire national people who favour peace and stability do not accept VOA, RFA, BBC and DVB airing skyful of lies every day. The American and its lackeys attempted not to recognize the National Convention, and colonize the country again. Making accusations that Iraq had weapons of mass destruction, the American Government invaded the former's territory.

The recent protests occurred in the country as Neo-colonialists and renegades drove a wedge between Tatmadaw and the people. Internal and external destructive elements are those who disturb the emergence of democracy. Thus the entire national people are to fight against internal and external destructive elements as common enemies and strongly oppose the instigation of BBC, VOA,



Daw Aye Min Moe,
Member of Yangon
Division MCWSC. — MNA

RFA and DVB.

Member of Yangon Division Women's Affairs Organization Daw Aye Aye Maw seconded the motion of opposing and denouncing destructive acts of internal and external elements and supporting of the National Convention and forthcoming constitution.

The National Convention was the greatest meeting on national affairs in Myanmar history. In our country better foundations for democracy have been achieved and it is on the path to democracy. BBC, VOA, RFA and DVB are



U Win Naing Oo of
Lanmadaw
Township. — MNA

airing skyful of lies. Therefore, BBC is lying, VOA deceiving and RFA setting up hostilities. I would like to warn the people to beware of them and not to be bought by those tricksters.

Strength of the nation lies within. There will be stability as long as there is national solidarity.

Urge the entire people to strongly oppose and condemn the foreign media like BBC, VOA, RFA and DVB as the common enemy.

Next, Lawyer U Win Naing Oo of Lanmadaw Township seconded the motion of opposing and denouncing destructive acts of internal and external elements and supporting of the National Convention



Daw Aye Aye Maw,
member of Yangon
Division WAO. — MNA

and forthcoming constitution.

At the National Convention fundamental principles and detailed basic principles in conformity with the character and desires of the people were laid down. The fundamental principles and detailed basic principles are better than those of the 1947 and 1974 constitutions.

In Myanmar there is freedom of worship. Making use of the media such as BBC, VOA, RFA and DVB, the imperialists who want to destroy Myanmar committed the acts to harm the religion. Ignoring the words of



U Myint Han of
North Okkalapa
Township. — MNA

Sangha Maha Nayaka Sayadaws, some monks violated Vinaya rules and created disturbances.

Due to the instigations of internal and external destructive elements and foreign broadcasting stations, some people made political demands and undermined the peace and stability of the State. On behalf of the people of Yangon, I strongly denounce the disturbances.

It is time for the people to establish a discipline-flourishing democratic nation.

The entire people condemn the destructive acts and supported the National Convention and forthcoming constitution.

Member of Yangon Division Maternal and



Lt-Col Min Han
(Retd) of MWVO.
MNA

Child Welfare Supervisory Committee Daw Aye Min Moe seconded the motion calling for support of the National Convention and the forthcoming constitution and denouncing the acts of the destructive elements.

She said : The goal of the entire national people is emergence of the peaceful, modern and discipline-flourishing democratic



MC Daw Khin Thazin Myint and
Co-MC Daw Ei Mon Soe. — MNA

nation. In an attempt to ensure a smooth transition from the old system to the new one, the government, the people and the Tatmadaw have made coordinated efforts in implementing the nation building tasks and have achieved the developments in all sectors.

All the people have realized that the former constitutions are now not in the interests of the people and there is a demand for a new constitution which is adaptable to situations in the country.

The National Convention was completed successfully and the fundamental principles and detailed basic principles were laid down for writing the new constitution.

We must safeguard the nation, promote the national prestige and strive for the development of the country.

The government has made concerted efforts for the unity of the people. The government has made peace with armed groups and have carried out regional development tasks. Since then, peace groups and national organizations have participated in implementing the nation-building tasks. Besides,

they also participated in the constitutional talks at the National Convention. The basic principles laid down at the National Convention protect rights of citizens and serve the interests of all national races. Some big countries and internal destructive elements who are jealous of the progress of Myanmar have tried to create unrest and violence in the country. They drove

a wedge between the monks and the government in September. Some media including BBC, VOA, RFA and DVB have aired fabricated news in a bid to incite the people into unrest and violence.

It is Myanmar people who favour peace and stability, oppose unrest and violence. They could crush the incitement of those countries, destructive elements and media.

Therefore, we denounce the attempts of the internal and external destructive elements to colonize the country again and we support the National Convention and the forthcoming constitution.

Lt-Col Min Han (Retd) of Myanmar War Veterans Organization seconded the motion in support of the National Convention and the forthcoming constitution and denouncing the acts of internal and external destructive elements.

He said : The forthcoming constitution guarantees the role of the Tatmadaw in the future State. We are pleased to know that Tatmadaw shall be responsible to safeguard Our Three Main National Causes.

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The National Convention was successfully completed on 3 September. At the convention, the fundamental principles and detailed basic principles for writing the constitution were laid down to pave the way for the new nation. Therefore, the entire people hail the National Convention.

Out of the fundamental principles and detailed basic principles, there are 14 principles related to the role of the Tatmadaw in the future nation. We are glad to know that the Tatmadaw shall be responsible to safeguard the nation at present and in future. The participation of the Tatmadaw is necessary to build a peaceful, modern and developed nation. We also support a principle which stresses that foreign troops are not allowed to be deployed in the country in order to safeguard the country.

Internal and external destructive elements have resorted to protests and violence in the country. The protests caused panic among the people and hit hard the trade and commerce and the tourism industry.

While all national people had hard times, exiled groups and agitator media gained a lot of dollars.

The people who can distinguish between advantages and disadvantages of recent violent protests must guard against the acts of the destructive elements.

Hence, we second the motion in support of the

National Convention and the forthcoming constitution and to denounce the acts of destructive elements.

Next, Townselder Businessman U Myint Han of North Okkalapa Township seconded the motion denouncing the acts of internal and external destructive elements and supporting the National Convention and the State constitution. He said that the government is making all-out efforts for successful realization of the seven-point Road Map. In this process, it successfully convened the National Convention, the first and crucial step of the seven-step Road Map and was able to lay down fundamental principles and detailed basic principles.

Based on fundamental principles and detailed basic principles a new State constitution will soon emerge. And the national races will be able to enjoy the right extensively in legislative, executive and judiciary. As all the national races will be able to have equal rights in all the sectors including religion and social sectors like other democracy nations, the forthcoming constitution based on fundamental principles and detailed basic principles will be the most suitable one for the nation. That was why we the entire national people hail and support it.

In the process of transition to democracy stability of the State, community peace and prevalence of law and order are a must. At a time when efforts are being exerted for development of political, economic and social sectors of the State any violent acts are a great danger to democracy.

Defiance of all orders, utter devastation and four

blockages are dangers to the process of the seven-step Road Map. So, we strongly condemn those who create violent unrest and incite the people to take to the street. Like people from other states and divisions, we people from Yangon Division strongly denounce the attacks of internal and external destructive elements in collusion with some foreign media.

The entire national people will ward off all the attacks of foreign stations and destructive elements posing a threat to the implementation of the seven-step Road Map.

The National Convention was successfully convened. And efforts are being made for successful realization of the seven-step Road Map. At such a time, we cannot lose the already-achieved progress in building up a new modern and developed nation. We who long for the emergence of a discipline-flourishing democratic nation strongly oppose those who are jealous of achievement in the process of transition to democracy and those who are making attempts to undermine the seven-step Road Map.

Therefore, we the entire national people strongly condemn any destructive acts and support the National Convention and the forthcoming constitution.

Next, the meeting chairman sought the approval of those present on the occasion and they unanimously supported the National Convention and the forthcoming constitution.

After that, those present chanted slogans and the ceremony ended at 8.45 am.

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Shan State (South), Kayah State hold mass rallies to denounce recent protests



Local people marching to the mass rally in Langkho, Shan State (South). — MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 15 Oct—The people of Shan State (South) and Kayah State who wish to see stability of the State, the rule of law and community peace and tranquillity regarded recent protests instigated by some monks and NLD members as a threat to peace and stability. So they held mass rallies to denounce

such protests on 13 and 14 October after seeking permission from the authorities concerned.

In Langkho Township of Shan State (South), over 13,000 people held in procession at 7 am on 13 October shouting slogans calling for 'Our Three Main National Causes', 'the seven-step Road Map must be successful' and

holding placards that read 'We favour peace and stability', 'We oppose unrest and violence', 'We can not serve as slaves', 'No neo-colonialism' and 'the seven-step Road Map must be successful.

Similarly, in Loikaw, Kayah State, more than 20,000 people held in procession at 7 am on 14 October shouting slogans

calling for 'Our Three Main National Causes' and 'the seven-step Road Map must be successful' and holding placards that read 'Don't destroy development', 'BBC lying', 'VOA deceiving',

RFA setting up hostilities', 'Beware of destructionists', We support the National Convention and the constitution and the seven-step Road Map must be successful.

Similarly, more than 7500 people of Dimawhso and over 5000 people of Pruhsso held the mass rallies to denounce the recent protests, on 14 October morning. — MNA



Local people marching to the mass rally in Pruhsso, Kayah State. — MNA

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The second best time is now.

Sustainable progress in science and technology sector

Maung Theikpa



The inauguration of University of Computer Studies (Hpa-an) in Kayin State in progress.

The government is now constructing national development infrastructures, economic infrastructures and civil development infrastructures with effective use of human resources in the science and technology sector. Such human resources are being produced regularly through the science and technology sector for sustainable progress.

The science and technology sector is making progress in parallel with the education sector. With the industrial development, the science and

technology sector is picking up momentum. Programmes to help the science and technology sector gather momentum. In olden days, one who wanted to pursue engineering or computer studies had to come to Yangon. At that time, the number of students for these university and institute was limited. Therefore, many students could not achieve their educational goals despite their qualification in the engineering and computer fields.

As regards progress in the educational institutions

in 2007, on 19 January alone, the Ministry of Science and Technology upgraded Government Technical Institute (Mohnyin) to Government Technological College (Mohnyin), Government Technical Institute (Shwebo) to Government Technological College (Shwebo), Government Technical Institute (Sagaing) to Government Technological College (Sagaing), and Government Technical Institute (Mingyan) to Government Technological College (Mingyan). On 26 January, the new school building of Technological University (Monywa) was launched.

Now, Myanmar has achieved remarkable progress in the science and technology sector. The number of technological university has increased from only one in 1988 to 29, reflecting the progress of 28. There have been Myanmar Aerospace Engineering University in Meiktila and Myanmar Marine University in Yangon that are unprecedented. There was no government technological college in 1988. Now, there have been eight technological colleges. The number of universities of computer studies has surged from only one in 1988 to 26, accounting for the progress of 25. Myanmar did not see any technological training schools up to 1988, but now it has got 10 technological training schools. These educational institutions have produced more than 150,000 human resources so far.

Now, Myanmar is poised to take a giant step forward in building a modern developed nation. All the measures in the education sector are attended to bring about a sufficient number of human resources. New generation human resources who come into existence under the drive for sustainable progress of the science and technology sector will be able to expedite the transforming of the nation into an industrial one.

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Myanmar Marine University in Thilawa, Yangon. That is unprecedented and came into being in the time of the State Peace and Development Council.

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85 mln-year-old dinosaur skull found in Japan

TOKYO, 14 Oct—An 85 million-year-old dinosaur skull has been found in southwestern Japan, one of the oldest discoveries of its kind in the country, the *Kyodo News* agency said on Saturday.

The fossilized skull, belonging to a herbivore called hadrosaurid, was unearthed on a mountain in the town of Mifune in Kumamoto Prefecture, *Kyodo* said, quoting an official of the Mifune Dinosaur Museum.

The fossil was found in February 2004 by an amateur expert, but only identified as the skull of a hadrosaurid after a delicate cleaning process.

Kyodo said it was the first discovery of a hadrosaurid skull in Japan, although other body parts have been found in Hokkaido and Fukushima and Hyogo prefectures in northern Japan.

Hadrosaurids, which were seven to eight metres tall, are also known as "duck-billed dinosaurs" because of their heads' resemblance to ducks, with a wide and flat bill similar to that of a platypus, *Kyodo* said.

MNA/Reuters

Suicide blast kills seven, injures 29 in S Afghanistan

KABUL, 14 Oct—A suicide blast Saturday evening rocked a market in southern Afghanistan's Kandahar Province, killing two policemen and five civilians, a provincial police chief said.

The explosion occurred at around 6:25 pm (1355 GMT) at a busy bazaar in Spin Boldak District of Kandahar as a motorcycle rider exploded himself, Sayed Aqa Saqib, Kandahar's police chief, told *Xinhua* news agency over telephone.

The officer earlier said the seven deaths were all civilians.

Eight policemen and 21 civilians were also

wounded in the explosion, said Saqib, who however offered no more details.

No one or group claimed responsibility for the attack. People in Afghanistan Saturday were still celebrating Eid festival, starting on Friday to mark the end of fasting month Ramadan.

Kandahar, a known birthplace for Taliban movement, has witnessed continuous militants-related violence, since the Afghan Taliban regime was overthrown by the US invasion in late 2001.

Rising violence has claimed over 5,100 lives in war-torn Afghanistan this year.—MNA/Xinhua

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At least 15 die in Mexico highway accident

MEXICO CITY, 14 Oct—At least 15 people died and dozens more injured in an accident on Friday morning in a the western Mexican state of Jalisco highway, said the Red Cross of Jalisco's capital, Guadalajara city.

As many of the injured passengers are in critical conditions, the death toll may increase.

The accident occurred at 01:30 local time (6:30 GMT) at the Guadalajara-Puerto Vallarta highway stretch when a truck loaded with salt crashed against a bus, Jalisco's State Security and Transit Department said. Jalisco's Civilian Protection office informed the cargo truck crashed against the "El Grullo Tour Jaguar" bus near the Magdalena municipality in the state of Jalisco.

The bus passengers were going to the Guayabitos beach, located in the state of Nayarit in the Mexican Pacific coast, some 200 kilometres from Guadalajara.

The identities of the passengers have been withheld so far, as well as the drivers' health.

The causes of the accident have yet to be revealed, although the bus was a 1982 model. —MNA/Xinhua

Condolences

Our condolences to the family of Prime Minister General Soe Win who passed away on 12-10-2007 (Friday).

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Indonesia boy dies of bird flu

JAKARTA, 14 Oct—A 12-year-old Indonesian boy has died of bird flu, taking the total death toll from the disease in the country to 88, a health ministry official said on Saturday.

Another official at the ministry's bird flu centre had earlier said was not clear how the boy, from Tangerang city in West Java, contracted the virus, but that some chickens had died in his neighbourhood.

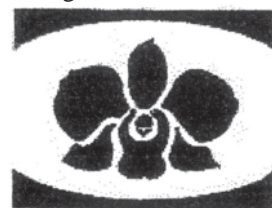
"A team has conducted an investigation to find out how the boy got infected and we are waiting for the result," the bird flu centre's Daswir Nurdin said.

The most common way to contract the deadly virus is through sick fowl.

The disease is endemic in the bird population in most parts of Indonesia, where millions of backyard fowl are kept in close proximity to humans and where education campaigns often do not reach remote areas.

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China urges US to correct "illegal" measures on coated paper

GENEVA, 13 Oct — China urged the United States on Friday to correct its anti-dumping and anti-subsidy measures targeting Chinese coated paper, reiterating that these measures violate World Trade Organization (WTO) rules.

In consultations held in Geneva, Chinese officials questioned the consistency of the US measures with WTO regulations, and urged the

United States to consider China's concerns seriously and correct its measures, said a statement from the Chinese WTO mission. The two sides also clarified some matters in the dispute and agreed to continue their contact on the issue, the statement said.

Friday's consultations were held under the WTO's dispute settlement mechanism. China brought the case to the WTO's

Dispute Settlement Body on 14 September.

According to Chinese trade officials, from November 2006 to July 2007, the United States launched five anti-dumping and anti-subsidy investigations into Chinese coated paper and steel tubes, which involved 635 Chinese enterprises with 70,000 employees and goods worth 860 million US dollars.

MNA/Xinhua



People walk across Red Square during first snow in Moscow on 14 Oct, 2007. Seen in the background are St Basil's Cathedral and the Kremlin. INTERNET

Angola, Israel reinforce financial cooperation

LUANDA, 13 Oct — Angola and Israel will reinforce and expand existing financial relations, Angola's official news agency ANGOP quoted Angolan Finance Minister Jose Pedro de Morais as reporting on Friday.

Morais, who just finished an official visit to Israel, told reporters that both Angola and Israel expressed their hope to expand financial relations with the stress on Israel offering more insurance credit and Angola providing Israeli firms operating in Angola with more benefits.

The Angolan Finance Minister also said during

his recent visit to Israel he reiterated the need for the Israeli projects in Angola to be financed in line with the government covering facilities.

"The current Angola-Israel bilateral cooperation represents an advantageous relation for the two countries," he said, adding that the Israeli Government and companies can carry out various kinds of projects in Angola.

The projects being conducted by Israeli firms in Angola are financed under a credit line from the Israeli Government estimated at 500 million US dollars.

MNA/Xinhua



A rescuer works to find survivors of a rock slide, on 13 Oct 2007 in Suarez, department of Cauca, Colombia. —INTERNET

Israeli cluster bomb kills British deminer in S Lebanon

BEIRUT, 13 Oct — A member of a British demining team on Thursday died in an accidental blast of a cluster bomb left behind by Israeli forces in southern Lebanon, official sources said.

The bomb disposal

expert died while examining the bomb at a location near the village of Ainata close to the Israeli-Lebanese border, said the sources. Large numbers of artillery shells, bombs and cluster bombs fired by Israeli Army litter

fields, houses and streets in southern Lebanon in unexploded condition during a 34-day conflict between Israel and Lebanon's guerilla movement Hizbollah, which ended in August 2006.

MNA/Xinhua

China's public health emergencies claim 393 lives in nine months

BEIJING, 13 Oct — Public health emergencies claimed 393 lives on the Chinese Mainland between January and September this year with 2,002 incidents recorded and 76,000 people involved, the Ministry of Health said on Friday.

Though the number of major incidents only accounted for 12.4 per cent of the total, the 249 cases of major public health emergencies claimed 310 lives, said the ministry in a report.

The main types of public health emergencies reported in the first nine months were infectious diseases, food poisoning, vocational poisoning and environment accidents.

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Children dance during Columbus Day celebrations in Panama City, on 12 Oct, 2007. — INTERNET

Poles stage anti-war protest in Warsaw

WARSAW, 15 Oct — Several hundred anti-war protesters demonstrated in the centre of Warsaw on Saturday, demanding the withdrawal of Polish troops from Iraq and Afghanistan and opposing deploying US anti-missile system in Poland.

The demonstration was organized by the Polish "Stop War"

organization.

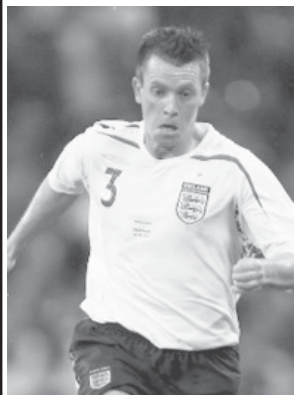
The parade started from the square of the Scientific and Cultural Palace, passing the US Embassy in Poland and continued to the Parliamentary Building. Shouting the slogans, the protesters held the banners "stop capturing Iraq", "pull out the troops from Iraq and Afghanistan,"

"no US anti-missile shield in Poland" and so on.

Since the outbreak of the Iraq war, the number of Polish troops in the country once reached 2,500 and currently stands at 900. More than 20 Polish servicemen have been killed in Iraq so far. In Afghanistan, there are about 1,200 Polish soldiers. — MNA/Xinhua

SPORTS

Left-back eager to come in for injured Cole



Nicky Shorey

LONDON, 15 Oct — Nicky Shorey is refusing to get carried away by the prospect of playing for England in Russia on Wednesday. The Reading left-back could come into the side for the crucial Euro 2008 qualifier after Ashley Cole was ruled out with an ankle injury. He said: "It is all ifs and buts. The team is not going to be picked now. We

will reassess, get some training in and go from there. "I am just happy to be involved and do whatever I can for the team." No pitch problems England will play on an artificial pitch in Moscow but Shorey believes it is a challenge that can be overcome. "A lot of people have probably not played on one," he said. "However, that is what we have to do in Russia and we will just get on with it, be positive and go out there to put in another performance." "We know it is going to be a tough encounter, especially away on their home pitch-but we have got the players who are good enough to play on any stage."—Internet



Russia's Elena Dementieva, left, and United States' Serena Williams, right, hold their trophies as they pose with Moscow Mayor Yuri Luzhkov, centre, after the final match at the Kremlin Cup tennis tournament, Moscow, on 14 Oct, 2007. Dementieva beat Williams 5-7, 6-1, 6-1.—INTERNET

Brazil scramble goalless draw in Colombia

BOGOTA, 15 Oct — Brazil struggled to an uninspiring goalless draw away to Colombia in their opening match of the 2010 World Cup qualifying campaign on Sunday. The only team to have played at all 18 World Cups, Brazil are likely to be happier with the point, achieved at 2,600 metres above sea level on a slippery pitch, than their lacklustre performance. Despite making wholesale changes from their Copa America squad and fielding an inexperienced team, Colombia had most of the pressure and Brazil became less adventurous as the game went on. "Considering that we were playing away from home, at high altitude, on a heavy pitch, it was a reasonable start to the qualifiers," Brazil coach Dunga told Brazilian television. "The first half was

evenly balanced and we had a few chances. In the second half, we lacked speed and strength and the players felt tired." "If Colombia play like they did today against Brazil, they will qualify," Dunga added. MNA/Reuters

England number two not happy with Lampard treatment

LONDON, 15 Oct — Terry Venable has slammed the England fans who continue to boo Frank Lampard.



Terry Venable

The Chelsea midfielder was booed by a segment of the Wembley crowd as he came off the bench in England's 3-0 win over Estonia. Steve McClaren's number two is far from happy with how Lampard has become a boo-boy with England's faithful. "What are people trying to do to Frank? What are these personal feelings all about?" Venables told *The Sun*. "Were they Estonian supporters in disguise? Don't they realise they are upsetting the whole situation? "Frank's last three full games for England have been as good as any player yet he's still getting stick. "It's really ugly and it's got to stop. "It happened to David Bentley and Phil Neville but no one seems to get it quite as much as Frank. "These so-called fans are marking the game easier for all our rivals."—Internet



China's Lin Dan won men's singles gold medal on his 24th birthday at 2007 Beijing International Badminton Tournament in Beijing on Sunday, overpowering his teammate Bao Chunlai 21-19, 21-14. XINHUA

Dementieva, Davydenko complete Russian double

MOSCOW, 15 Oct — Russia's Elena Dementieva gave herself an early birthday present when she rallied after dropping the first set to beat Serena Williams 5-7, 6-1, 6-1 and win her maiden Kremlin Cup title

on Sunday. Top seed Nikolay Davydenko prevailed over France's Paul-Henri Mathieu 7-5, 7-6 in the men's final later in the day to retain his crown and complete the Russian double at the 2.3 million US dollars indoor tournament. Davydenko, who called for a medical timeout late in the second set to treat his right wrist, needed four match points to finish off the fourth-seeded Frenchman for his third victory in Moscow in the last four years.—MNA/Reuters

Nigeria squander lead, miss penalty in Mexico draw

CIUDAD JUAREZ (MEXICO), 15 Oct — Nigeria squandered a two-goal lead and missed a late penalty in a 2-2 friendly draw in Mexico on Sunday. Obafemi Martins scored twice to put the Super Eagles on top but Juan Carlos Cacho notched a brace as Mexico hit back and substitute Ikechukwu Uche fired a penalty over the crossbar. Martins nearly put Nigeria ahead in the 25th minute when he forced a fine save from Guillermo Ochoa but made no mistake seven minutes later when he scored with a left-foot shot into the far corner.—MNA/Reuters

IFA says Chelsea coach to get licence next year

JERUSALEM, 15 Oct — Chelsea head coach Avram Grant is set to complete study requirements for his UEFA Pro licence early next year, the Israel Football Association (IFA) said on Sunday. "If Grant participates and successfully completes the pro course which is set to begin in February, he will receive his licence approval," the statement said. European soccer's governing body is expected to require that from next season coaches of clubs that play in European competitions must hold a Pro licence. MNA/Reuters



Czech jockey Dusan Andres strokes his horse Sixteen from France after winning the 117th traditional Velka Pardubicka Steeplechase horse race in Pardubice on 14 Oct, 2007.—INTERNET



France's Paul-Henri Mathieu hits a return against Russia's Nikolay Davydenko during their Kremlin Cup final tennis match in Moscow on 14 Oct, 2007.—INTERNET

Pennetta overpowers Chan to win Bangkok Open

BANGKOK, 15 Oct — In-form Italian Flavia Pennetta overwhelmed Taiwanese teenager Chan Yung-jan 6-1, 6-3 to win her third tour title at a rain-drenched Bangkok Open on Sunday. In a one-sided final interrupted by four hours of rain, the 49th-ranked Italian breezed past the 18-year-old in just over an hour of play to win her first title of the year. With thick black clouds looming, the seventh seed stamped her authority on the match from the outset, breaking Chan in the first game before racing through the first set with a string of precise and powerful forehands down the line. MNA/Reuters

Namibia deports two Americans for recruiting for Iraq

WINDHOEK, 15 Oct — Namibia has ordered two Americans to leave the country for trying to recruit Namibians to work as security guards in Iraq and Afghanistan, the Information Minister said.

Netumbo Nandi-Ndaitwah said the Namibian Security Council also ordered their company,

Special Operations Consulting-Security Management Group (SOC-SMG), to shut down on the grounds that its operations violated Namibian laws.

The decision came amid an outcry over the role of security contractors in Iraq following the killing of 17 Iraqis in a shooting

involving US security firm Blackwater last month.

Nandi-Ndaitwah told a news conference Paul Grimes and Fredric Piry, two US nationals heading the company, had been declared "prohibited immigrants" on Friday and given 24 hours to leave.

Under Namibian law, he said, Namibians were not allowed to be involved in the military or security forces of other countries without the written permission of the government.

The US Embassy in Namibia and the security

company were not immediately available for comment and it was not clear whether the two men had left the country in southwestern Africa.

"The involvement of USA in Iraq has never been sanctioned or supported through any international agreement and cannot thus be supported by Namibia," said Nandi-Ndaitwah.

MNA/Reuters

Flood Bulletin

(Issued at 12:30 hr MST on 15-10-2007)

According to the (06:30) hr MST observation today, the water level of Sittoung River at Madauk (1095) cm is exceeded (25) cm above its danger level. It may fall below its danger level (1070) cm during the next (48) hrs commencing noon today.

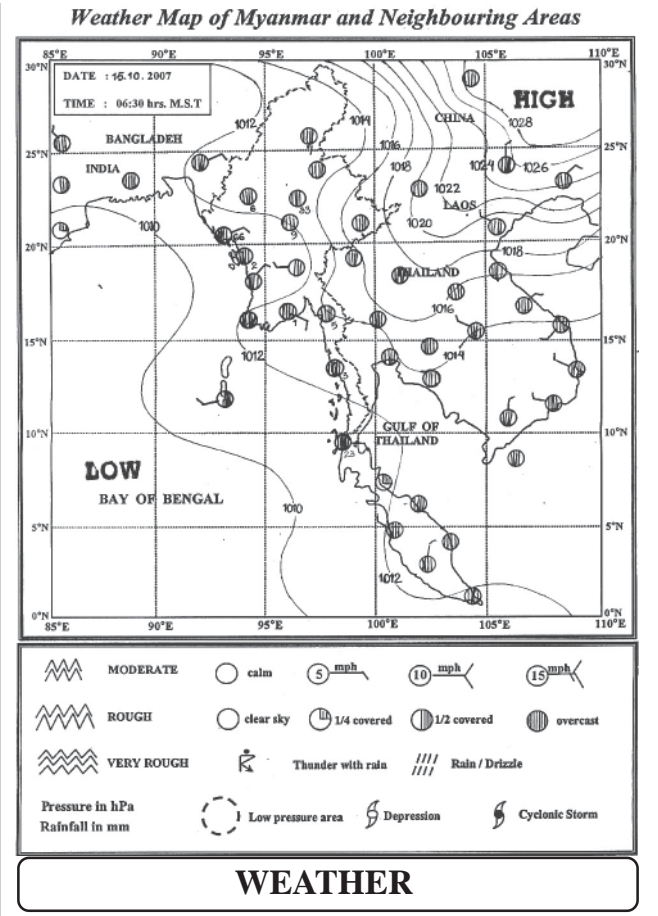


Photo taken on 13 Oct, 2007 shows the chalk carving figurines made by Li Yueqing in Tianjin, north China. — XINHUA



Tuesday, 16 October
Tune in today

- 8:30 am Brief news
- 8:35 am Music
-That'll be the day
- 8:40 am Perspectives
- 8:45 am Music
-The telephone song
- 8:50 am National news/ Slogan
- 9:00 am Music
-Something to talk about
- 9:05 am International news
- 9:10 am Music
-Smoke on the water
- 1:30pm News /Slogan
- 1:40 pm Lunch time music
-Child
-Angel
- 9:00pm English Speaking Course
- 9:10 pm Article
- 9:20pm Weekly sports reel
- 9:30pm Listening pleasure
-Anything for you
-Don't mess around
- 9:45 pm News /Slogan
- 10:00 pm PEL



Tuesday, 16 October
View on today

- 7:00 am
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. ကဗျာပန်းဥယျာဉ်
- 8:05 am
6. ဝန်ထုပ်ချောင်းတံတား
- 8:10 am
7. အကပြိုင်ပွဲ

- 8:15 am
8. Song of yesteryears
- 8:30 am
9. International news
- 8:45 am
10. Let's Go
- 4:00 pm
1. Martial song
- 4:15 pm
2. ဆောင်းပါးရှင်စာမေ့သူ ရဟန်းကြီး၏ "ဘိလုံးငှက်၏ အောင်မြင်ရေးနိတိ"
- 4:30 pm
3. Song to uphold National Spirit
- 4:45 pm
4. အေးသင်တက္ကသိုလ် ပညာရေး ရုပ်မြင်သံကြား သင်ခန်းစာ-စတုတ္ထနှစ် (ဥပဒေပညာအထူးပြု) (ဥပဒေပညာ)
- 5:00 pm
5. Dace of national races
- 5:10 pm
6. ၂၀၀၇ခုနှစ် (၁၅)ကြိမ်မြောက် မြန်မာ့ရိုးရာယဉ်ကျေးမှု အဆို၊ အက၊ အရေး၊ အတီး
- 5:25 pm
7. Sing and Enjoy
- 6:00 pm
8. Evening news
- 6:30 pm
9. Weather report
- 6:35 pm
10. ကြယ်ပွင့်များရဲ့ရင်ခုန်သံ
- 6:50 pm
11. သုတစုံလင် ရွှေညာဏ်ရှင်
- 7:20 pm
12. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "ချစ်သောရွှေနေ့ခြည်" (အပိုင်း-၂၁)
- 8:00 pm
13. News
- 14. International news
- 15. Weather report
- 16. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "ပြေးလှည့်ပါချစ်သူရယ်" (အပိုင်း-၁၅)
- 17. The next day's programme

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People's Desire

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

Who are the winners, who the losers from violent protests?

- ★ **Due to violence and unrest**
 Peace-loving people have to live in state of alarm
 Learning of students disrupted
 Commodity flow stagnant
 Vendors have hard times
 Passenger transport services delayed
- ★ **Due to violence and unrest**
 Only the notorious neo-colonialists benefited
 Instigators covertly earning dollars
 Expatriates and ax-handles living in luxury
 Followers of colonialists earning handsome dollar rewards

- ★ **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 tricksters**