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NAY PYI TAW, 8 Nov — Chairman of the committee for implementation of the Dawei Special Economic Zone and its related projects Vice-President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar U Nyan Tun left here for Thailand on 6 November at the invitation of Mr Kittiratt Na-Ranong, Deputy Prime Minister and Finance Minister of Thailand.

The delegation led by Vice-President U Nyan Tun was seen off by officials of the Yangon Region Government and Ms Dao Vibulpanich, Charge d Affaires of the Embassy of Thailand.

The delegation arrived at the Suvarnabhumi airport at 4.30 pm local time where they were welcomed by Minister at the Prime Minister Office of Thailand Mr Niwattumrong Boonsongpaisan, Ambassador of Thailand to Myanmar Mr Pisanu Suvanajata, Ambassador of Myanmar to Thailand U Tin Win, Military Attache Col Win Maung, staff of the embassy and military attaché office.

Deputy Prime Minister and Finance Minister of Thailand Mr Kittiratt Na-Ranong called on the Vice-President and members of the delegation at the Shangri-La Hotel in the evening and they held talks over win-win cooperation between the two countries.

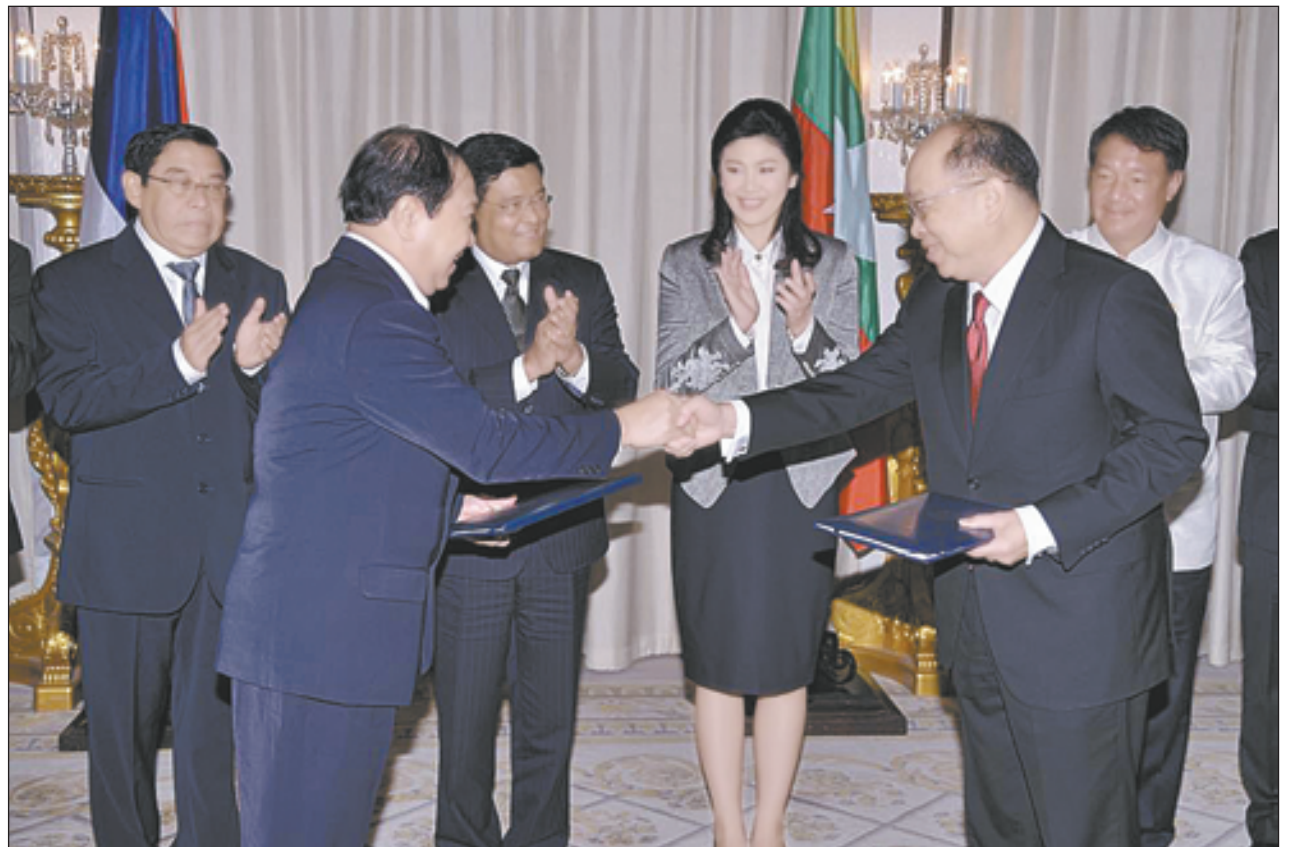
Mr Kittiratt Na-Ranong hosted dinner in honour of the Myanmar delegation at the hotel.

The vice-president held talks with Prime Minister of Thailand Ms Yingluck Shinawatra at Thai Koo Fah Building in Bangkok yesterday morning.

Also present at the meeting together with the Vice-President were Union Minister U Aye Myint, Chief Minister of Taninthayi Region U Myat Ko, deputy ministers U Han Sein, U Aung Than Oo, U Myo Aung, Dr Maung Maung Thein, Thura U Thaug Lwin, U Phone Swe, Ambassador of Myanmar to Thailand U Tin Win and departmental officials while the Thailand side was accompanied by Deputy Prime Minister and Finance Minister Mr Kittiratt Na-Ranong, Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Affairs Minister Mr Surapong Tovichakchaikul, the ambassador of Thailand to Myanmar and senior officials.

During the meeting, Prime Minister of Thailand Ms Yingluck Shinawatra stressed the need for organizing the joint-committee between the two countries to implement the Dawei Special Economic Zone and its related projects, for giving priority to the important sectors and for coordinating between the two countries based on the friendship and win-win situation. Afterwards, Vice-President U Nyan Tun said he paid the visit to Thailand to be present at the ceremony to exchange Memorandum of Understanding between

## Myanmar, Thailand hold meeting on implementation of Dawei Special Economic Zone and its related projects



Union Minister U Aye Myint and Thai Deputy PM and Foreign Affairs Minister Mr Surapong Tovichakchaikul exchange MoU in the presence of Vice-President U Nyan Tun and Thai PM Ms Yingluck Shinawatra.—MNA

Myanmar and Thailand to speed up the cooperation in Dawei Special Economic Zone and its related projects which were agreed during the visit of President U Thein Sein to Thailand in July and to attend the first Myanmar-Thailand Joint

High-Level Committee Meeting.

The MoU would help strengthen the economic link between the two countries and he believed that the joint high-level committee which would implement the MoU would play an

important role in bringing the comprehensive development in the Dawei Special Economic Zone and its related projects, he added. The vice-president continued to say that the MoU would also strengthen the existing friendship and cooperation

between Myanmar and Thailand.

Companies from Thailand were seeking investment opportunities in Myanmar and he believed that today was the right time to boost the trade and (See page 9)

## Merkel warns Britain against European Union exit

LONDON, 8 NOV—Germany's Angela Merkel on Wednesday warned Britain not to turn its back on Europe and urged its Prime Minister David Cameron to work with her to avoid deadlock at European Union budget talks later this month.

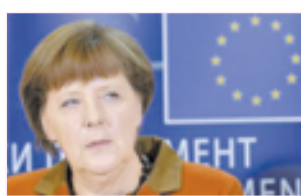
The leaders met in London to try to iron out differences over the EU's 1 trillion euro (\$1.28 trillion) budget that threaten to block a deal and fuel fears that London is drifting away from the 27-nation union.

Describing plans to increase the EU budget as "ludicrous", Cameron has threatened to veto any deal he thinks is not in Britain's interests and will push for a real-terms freeze.

However, German officials are exasperated by what they see as London's slide towards Europe's margins, a feeling reinforced last week after the British parliament voted to call for a real-terms cut in the EU's budget.

Before meeting Cameron, the German Chancellor told the European Parliament she could not imagine a Europe without Britain, the world's sixth largest economy, which relies on the EU for half its trade.

"I believe you can be very happy on an island, but being alone in this world doesn't make you any happier," Merkel said after British politician Nigel Farage, leader of the anti-



Germany's Chancellor Angela Merkel holds a news conference after addressing the political groups at the European Parliament in Brussels on 7 Nov, 2012.

REUTERS

European UK Independence Party, urged her to tell Cameron that Britain should quit the EU.

Cameron, who wants to stay in the bloc under renegotiated terms, argues that the EU must tighten its belt at a time when the euro

zone debt crisis looms large, and many countries are faced with austerity and shrinking household budgets.

"They are proposing a completely ludicrous 100 billion euro increase," Cameron said. "I never had very high hopes for a November agreement because you have got 27 different people round the table with 27 different opinions."

Cameron was humiliated by last week's defeat in parliament and opponents say he has lost control of Conservative Party anti-Europeans, a group that helped topple former leaders and that wants a referendum on Britain's EU membership. Reuters

## Asian Youth and Junior Weightlifting Championship 2012 opens

YANGON, 8 Nov—Successful holding of Asian Level Weightlifting Competition is a golden opportunity for Myanmar," said Chairman of Myanmar National Sports Committee Union Minister for Sports U Tint Hsan at the opening ceremony of Asian Youth and Junior Weightlifting Championship 2012 held at Theinbyu Gymnasium in Mingala Taungnyunt Township, here, yesterday evening.

President of International Weightlifting Federation Mr Tamas Ajan (Hungary), 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President Maj-Gen Intrat

Yodbangtoey (Thailand) and Secretary of Asia Weightlifting Federation Mr Ali Moradi (Iran) extended greetings. This was followed by the competition.

A total of 386 managers, coaches and weightlifters from 18 Asian countries are participating in the competition. International Weightlifting Federation has recorded that it is a Asian Level Weightlifting Competition in which most athletes participate. Myanmar Weightlifting Federation hosted dinner to them at Karaweik Palace. MNA

## Trainees of ASEAN Economic Studies visit South Dagon Industrial Zone



YANGON, 8 Nov— Trainees of Certificate in ASEAN Economic Studies, jointly-organized by the Ministry of National Planning and Economic Development and Yangon Institute of Economics under the Ministry of Education, together with course instructors and admin staff visited Soe Electrical and Machine Tools Co., Ltd in South Dagon Industrial Zone (1) on 3 November.

“As Myanmar is due to become a member of ASEAN Free Trade Area in

2015, there arises concerns over small-and-medium scale enterprises in the country. It is learnt that foreign investors will be granted five-year tax exemption in 2015. I think that local businessmen should be allowed to enjoy such kind of opportunity”, Chairman of South Dagon Industrial Zone and Soe Electrical and Machine Tools Co., Ltd U Soe Tint said.

Ko Zeyar, a trainee, shared his course experience that convinced him that there would be many points for Myanmar to be prepared

ahead of ASEAN Economic Community in 2015, competitiveness between local businessmen and foreign investors and opportunities and responsibilities given by Myanmar’s ASEAN Chairmanship; and that if such kinds of course were opened in major cities across the nation, it would be good for businessmen around the country.

Altogether businessmen, enthusiasts and departmental personnel from ministries are taking the course. — *Kyemon*

## Actions being taken against midnight motor racing

YANGON, 8 Nov — Aimed at curbing unwanted crimes triggered by mob violence and midnight motor racing of reckless groups of young people on main roads in Yangon, actions are being taken against those who violate traffic rules by members of Yangon Region Traffic Police Corps in cooperation with Yangon North District and West District Police Forces during the period from 11.30 pm to 3 am on 3-4 November.

An official said that occurrences of midnight motor racing on the main roads in four townships of Yangon proved insufficient traffic police members in five traffic police areas— No (1) Traffic Police Force in Insein Township, No (2) Traffic Police Force in Kokkaing area, No (3) Traffic Police Force in Hledan, No (4) Traffic Police Force in Thingangyun Township and No (5) Traffic Police in Kyauktada Township.

Regarding the measures being taken against excessive speeding and reckless

driving, Traffic Police Major Tun Tun Wai said that some young people took advantage of Pyay Road, Insein Road, Kaba-Aye Pagoda Road, Thudamma Road in North Okkalapa and Laydaunkkan Road in Thingangyun which are being upgraded into six-lane motorways for ensuring smooth transport to secretly organize motor racing during the period from 11 pm to 3 pm on the weekend of less traffic. So members of traffic police force took actions against cars driving at high speed on the road sections from Hluttaw Building on Pyay Road to Bogyoke Street, from Innaya Street on Pyay Road to 8-Mile Junction, from Yangon University Avenue Road to Parami Junction on Kaba-Aye Pagoda Road. He called for use of police cars with more powerful engines to be able to take actions against reckless driving of speedy cars. During the two-day mission, six race cars were fined for excessive speeding and breaching other traffic rules on Kaba-Aye Pagoda Road.

*Kyemon*

## Min Gaung library to be opened soon

SAGAING, 8 Nov— Construction of a library financed by fans of Zeyar Shwemyay FC and Myanmar Library Foundation with the contribution of K 1 million is nearing completion.

It is under construction at Saryay village in Sagaing Township, birthplace of Media and Marketing In-charge Ko Nay Mann of Zeyar Shwemyay FC. Upon completion, the library will be named after King Min Gaung of Ava Dynasty who was born in the village.

*Kyemon*



## Illegal teak and hardwood seized

KAWLIN, 8 Nov— The Ministry of Environmental Conservation and Forestry is not only taking care of environmental sustainability but also taking actions against illegal timber extraction.

While the mission to arrest those who are committing illegal timber extraction and seize illegal teak and hardwood is gearing

up, staff of Kawlin Forestry Department made several arrests and seizures of illegal teaks and hardwoods in Kawlin Township of Sagaing Region.

On 3 November, 5.6520 tons of hardwood and 10.6920 tons of firewood together with two vehicles were seized. Actions will be taken against two men related to seizure of illegal hardwood

and arrangements are being made to expose accomplices.

Similarly, a combined force comprising members of police force and staff of Taikkyi Township Forest Department seized 1.1044 ton of sawn wood while conducting a search of a car in the compound of U Zarni Aung of U-to village on 24 October.

*Kyemon*

## One killed, one injured in highway crash

BAGO, 8 Nov — A fatal accident occurred near mile post No.48 on Bago-Yangon Road at about 3.30 pm on 2 November, causing the death

of a 28-year-old man.

A motorbike driven by Naing Moe (28 years) together with Nann Win Aung on the back seat

of Bago hit the back of six-wheeled truck driven by Zarnima (40 years) of Yangon. Due to the crash, Naing Moe died in the hospital and Nann Win Aung is under intensive care at Bago Hospital.

*Kyemon*

## Advanced garages being kept open in Nay Pyi Taw

NAY PYI TAW, 8 Nov— With the aim of fixing the vehicles of departments and associations and private cars within a short period of time, advanced garages are being kept open near Bawgathiri Bus Terminal at the junction between detour and Yazaharni Road.

A total of 37 advanced garages and 22 workshops were built on the area of 130 acres. These garages provide repair services to customers with the use of



modern devices. Moreover, the shops selling spare parts

are also available at the area.

*Kyemon*

## Track and field team secure one gold, three silvers and one bronze

YANGON, 8 Nov — Myanmar selected track and field sports team arrived back here by air on 6 November after taking

part in Thailand Track and Field Championship-2012 held in Thailand from 1 to 5 November.

Members of Myanmar

selected track and field sports contingent bagged one gold, three silvers and one bronzes at the competitions.

*MNA*

## Non-stop flight between Mandalay and Bodh Gaya kicks off

MANDALAY, 8 Nov — As of 1 November, MAI operates its direct flight

between Mandalay and Patana in India. It is aimed at operating a direct flight with lower price for pilgrims to Bodh Gaya, from Mandalay. Bodh Gaya is situated in Gaya, 100 kilometers far from Patna, capital of Bihar State in India.

The flight bound for Patana leaves Mandalay International Airport at 11.10 am on every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday and arrives at Patana Airport at 12-15 pm.

The return flight leaves Patana for Mandalay at 1.15 pm and arrives back in Mandalay International Airport at 4.20 pm.

*Kyemon*

## Driving course for firefighters

YANGON, 8 Nov — The opening of driving course No (33/2012) of the Fire Services Department of the Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement was held at the meeting hall of Fire Services Department (Head Office) in

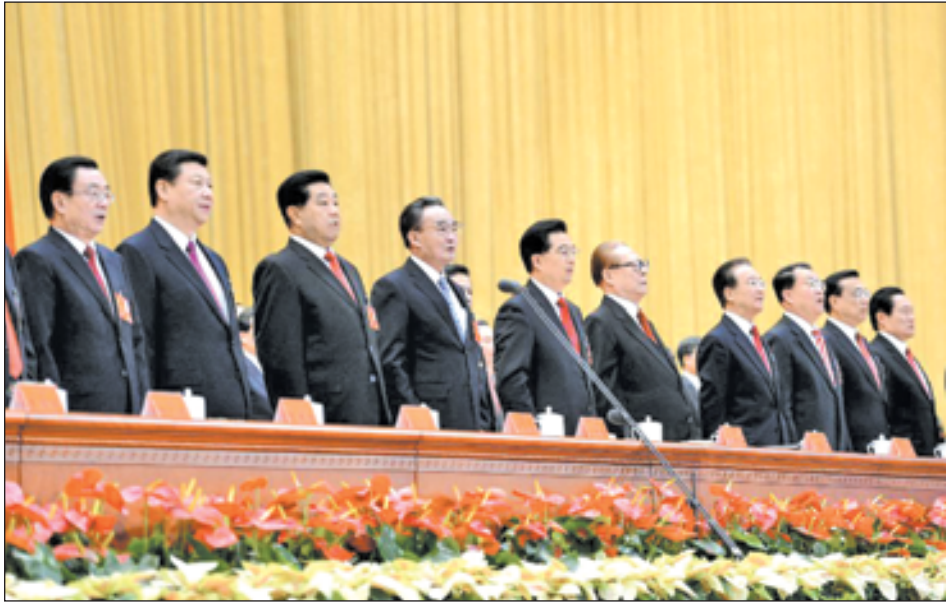
Mayangon Township, here, on 5 November.

Director-General U Tin Moe delivered an address at the opening ceremony.

A total of 50 trainees are taking the eight-week course.

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Hu Jintao (5th L), Jiang Zemin (5th R), Wu Bangguo (4th L), Wen Jiabao (4th R), Jia Qinglin (3rd L), Li Changchun (3rd R), Xi Jinping (2nd L), Li Keqiang (2nd R), He Guoqiang (1st L) and Zhou Yongkang (1st R) attend the opening ceremony of the 18th National Congress of the Communist Party of China (CPC) at the Great Hall of the People in Beijing, capital of China, on 8 Nov, 2012. The 18th CPC National Congress opened in Beijing on Thursday.—XINHUA

**Hu says China will not copy Western system in political reform**

**China**  
BEIJING, 8 NOV — Hu Jintao said here on Thursday that China will continue to carry out reform of the political structure, but the country will never copy a Western political system. “We must continue to make both active and prudent efforts to carry out

the reform of the political structure, and make people’s democracy more extensive, fuller in scope and sounder in practice,” Hu said in a keynote address at the opening of the CPC’s 18th National Congress. Hu said the CPC should place high importance on

systemic building, give full play to the strength of the socialist political system and draw on the political achievements of other societies. “However, we will never copy a Western political system,” he said. Xinhua

**Strong earthquake off Guatemala kills at least 48**

SAN MARCOS, (Guatemala), 8 Nov — A strong earthquake off the coast of Guatemala killed at least 48 people and trapped others under rubble on Wednesday, crushing homes and cars, destroying roads and forcing evacuations as far away as Mexico City. Most of the dead were buried under debris in San Marcos state, a mountainous region near the Mexican border. Landslides triggered by the 7.4 magnitude quake blocked highways and complicated rescue efforts. It was the strongest earthquake to hit the Central American nation since 1976, when a 7.5 magnitude quake killed more than 20,000 people.



Photo provided by the radio La Red Deportiva shows residents standing near debris after an earthquake in San Marcos, Guatemala, on 7 Nov, 2012. —XINHUA

President Otto Perez, who confirmed the death toll after returning to the capital Guatemala City from a lightning trip to San Marcos, said that as many as 23 people were unaccounted

for, while 153 people were being housed in emergency shelters. “It’s very sad to meet people here who are waiting to find their families who are still buried,” Perez said

**Israel ready to resume peace talks with Palestinians without preconditions**

JERUSALEM, 8 NOV — Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu told the Quartet’s (US, UN, EU and Russia) middle east envoy Tony Blair that he is ready to resume peace negotiations with the Palestinians without preconditions. Netanyahu met with Blair on Wednesday during the latter’s visit to Israel and responded to remarks made

by Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas recently. On Friday, Abbas told the channel 2 news that the Palestinians are striving for peace with Israel based on the two-state solution and are willing to return to the negotiations table. “I listened very carefully to President Abbas’ recent statements and I renew my constant suggestion, let’s sit down

together for negotiations without preconditions,” Netanyahu said, according to his Bureau’s statement which was sent to Xinhua. Blair, on his behalf, said that now that Barack Obama has been re-elected as the American president, it’s time to try and reinvigorate the peace process. “This is an opportunity to re-energize this process and make sure we get back

**After Obama win, US backs new UN arms treaty talks**



UNITED NATIONS, 8 NOV — Hours after US President Barack Obama was re-elected, the United States backed a UN committee’s call on Wednesday to renew debate over a draft international treaty to regulate the \$70 billion global conventional arms trade. UN delegates and gun control activists have complained that talks collapsed in July largely because Obama feared attacks from Republican rival Mitt Romney if his administration was seen as supporting the pact, a charge Washington denies. The month-long talks at UN headquarters broke off after the United States—along with Russia and other major arms producers—said it had problems with the draft treaty and asked for more time. But the UN General Assembly’s disarmament committee moved quickly after Obama’s win to approve a resolution calling for a new round of talks 18-28 March. It passed with 157 votes in favor, none against and 18 abstentions. UN diplomats said the vote had been expected before

Tuesday’s US presidential election but was delayed due to Superstorm Sandy, which caused a three-day closure of the United Nations last week. An official at the US mission said Washington’s objectives have not changed. “We seek a treaty that contributes to international security by fighting illicit arms trafficking and

our citizens to bear arms,” he said. US officials have acknowledged privately that the treaty under discussion would have no effect on domestic gun sales and ownership because it would apply only to exports. The main reason the arms trade talks are taking place at all is that the United



People view various newspaper front pages showing President Barack Obama’s victory over Republican presidential candidate Mitt Romney on display at the Newseum in Washington on 7 November, 2012.

REUTERS proliferation, protects the sovereign right of states to conduct legitimate arms trade, and meets the concerns that we have been articulating throughout,” the official said. “We will not accept any treaty that infringes on the constitutional rights of

States—the world’s biggest arms trader accounting for more than 40 percent of global conventional arms transfers—reversed US policy on the issue after Obama was first elected and decided in 2009 to support a treaty.—Reuters

**NATO preparing to give Turkey Patriot missiles**



ANKARA, 8 NOV — Turkish Foreign Minister Ahmet Davutoglu said on Wednesday that NATO is preparing to give Turkey Patriot missiles for deployment along the Turkish-Syrian border, local newspaper Today’s Zaman reported on its website. Davutoglu made the remarks in Brussels following earlier statements by some other Turkish officials that Turkey is in talks with the United States and NATO over the deployment of Patriot missiles along its border with Syria. Turkey considers Patriot missiles on

its territories as a security precaution against a potential military offensive by Syria, as Syrian shelling on Turkish southern border has prompted mounting tensions between the two countries. Turkey and the United States are considering deploying missiles in Turkish southern Kilis Province, according to the report. In the past, Turkey requested the deployment of Patriot missile defence systems on its territory twice in the context of battles in Iraq, respectively in the early 1990s and the 2000s. Xinhua

**Middle East**

around the table and have a negotiation, that’s the best way to try to create peace,” Blair said. Peace talks between Israel and the Palestinians came to a halt in 2010 over Israel’s increasing construction in the West Bank settlements, condemned by the Palestinians, the international community and the Israeli centre-left wing. Xinhua



A Free Syrian Army fighter is seen in Al-khalidiya neighbourhood of Homs on 22 October, 2012. Picture taken on 22 October, 2012.—REUTERS

## DNA confirms world's rarest whale in New Zealand Science

WELLINGTON, 8 Nov — A female whale and her young calf which stranded on a New Zealand beach and later died were the first-ever sighted spade-toothed beaked whales, the world's rarest whale, New Zealand scientists announced on Tuesday.

A species previously only identified from bone fragments, the two animals were the only two intact specimens of their species ever sighted, according to the University of Auckland scientists.

"This is the first time a spade-toothed beaked whale has been seen as a complete specimen, and we were lucky enough to find two of them," lead scientist Dr Rochelle Constantine

said in a statement. "It's incredible to think that, until recently, such a large animal was concealed in the South Pacific Ocean and shows how little we know about ocean biodiversity."

The scientists used DNA evidence to prove that the mother and male calf were the same species as the one identified from three skull and jaw fragments found around New Zealand and Robinson Crusoe Island, Chile. The spade-toothed beaked whale was first discovered on Pitt Island in New Zealand's Chatham Islands in 1872, but it was only 2002 that scientists from the university analyzed DNA from the three skull fragments and realized their genetic profiles were the

same and did not correspond to any other known species.

Until the stranding on 31 Dec, 2010, however, it was unclear whether the species still existed. The 5.3-metre-long female whale and the 3.5-metre calf stranded and later died on a beach in the North Island's Bay of Plenty region.

They were initially misidentified as Gray's beaked whales, the most common beaked whale to strand in New Zealand, but the subsequent genetic analysis revealed they were spade-toothed beaked whales. The skeletal remains have since been exhumed and taken to the Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa in Wellington.

Xinhua

## Cockatoo bird surprises scientists by making tools

LONDON, 8 Nov — A cockatoo has surprised scientists when it was observed making and using tools to reach food, reported European researchers on Tuesday.

The cockatoo is a species of parrot not previously known to use tools. However, researchers from University of Oxford and University of Vienna say a cockatoo named Figaro, reared in captivity near Vienna, was filmed using its powerful beak to cut long splinters out of wooden beams in its aviary, or twigs out of a branch, to reach and rake in objects out of its reach.

Writing in the journal *Current Biology*, researchers said Figaro might be the first cockatoo to achieve this feat, but how it made the breakthrough is still unclear to scientists. "Figaro shows us that, even when they are not habitual tool-users, members of a species that are curious, good problem-solvers, and large-brained, can sculpt tools out of a shapeless source material to fulfil a novel need," said Professor Alex Kacelnik at Oxford University. "Even though Figaro is still alone in the species and among parrots in showing this capacity, his feat demonstrates that tool craftsmanship can



Cockatoo bird

emerge from intelligence not specialized for tool use," he added.

Professor Kacelnik previously studied a crow named Betty that could make hooks out of wire to retrieve food that was out of reach. Though crows are known to use and make tools in the wild, there was no precedent

## Israeli scientists use gold nanoparticles to read fingerprints Science

JERUSALEM, 8 Nov — Researchers at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem (HU) have devised a new method of exposing barely legible fingerprints on wet or dry paper documents.

The method, which produces a crisp black-on-white image of the suspected fingerprint instead of the usual positive image, uses gold nanoparticles and elemental silver to develop the print, in a manner similar to that of developing a photograph, the university said on Tuesday in a Press briefing sent to *Xinhua*.

Professors Yossi Almog and Daniel Mandler of HU's Institute of Chemistry headed the research, which promises to make police forensic work a little easier

in discerning who has handled such evidential documents as checks, paper currency and notes. "Since our method relies only on the fatty components in the fingerprints, the sweaty aspects play no role in the imaging process," said Almog.

The professor added that the new technique also alleviates another problem in some investigations and crime scenes: "If paper has become wet, it has previously been difficult to detect fingerprints because the amino acids in the sweat, which are the primary substrate for current chemical enhancement reactions, will be dissolved and washed away by water, whereas the fatty components are barely affected." According to the university, the conventional technique uses gold particles "which adhere to the amino

acid components of the sweat in the fingerprints, and then silver is deposited onto the gold. The result is quite often low-contrast impressions of the fingerprints."

The new method, the researchers said, "utilizes the sebum (an oily substance secreted by the sebaceous glands that helps prevent hair and skin from drying out) from the fingerprints as a medium to avoid this interference."

"Treatment with a developer containing silver then turns the areas with gold on them black, resulting in a clear, negative image of the fingerprint."

The new method was published in the English-language edition of the journal *Angewandte Chemie*, published by the German Chemical Society.

Xinhua

## Ukraine unveils self-made multifunctional helicopters Tech

KIEV, 8 Nov — Ukraine unveiled on Tuesday two modernized powerful multifunctional helicopters *Mi-8MSB* and *MI-2MSB*, which are designed and built by the Kiev Civil Aviation Plant 410. "These helicopters are designed primarily for emergency medical care, where they can be used as vehicles.

The aircraft also can be deployed by the Defence Ministry and the bodies of other industries," Ukrainian Prime Minister Mykola Azarov said during the debut ceremony of the new helicopters.

The new aerial vehicles' lifespan is at least 15 years,

Azarov said.

The *Mi-8MSB* helicopter with a fuel-efficient engine and a take-off weight of 6,000 to 10,000 kg soared to an altitude of 8,200 meters during a flight trial in September, setting a world record for its class. The upgraded vehicle can be used as a cargo aircraft.

The *MI-2MSB* helicopter that weighs from 5 to 7 tons, capable of flying up to 2 hours without refueling can be used in different missions, in particular in emergency rescue operations or fight with forest fires. Both helicopters have already passed tests and are fully operational.— *Xinhua*



Mi-8MSB helicopter

## Warming temperatures cause aquatic animals to shrink most

WASHINGTON, 8 Nov — Warmer temperatures cause greater reduction in the adult sizes of aquatic animals than in land-dwellers, according to a new study by scientists from Queen Mary, University of London and the University of Liverpool.

The research, published on Monday in *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, shows that the body size of marine and freshwater species are affected disproportionately by warmer temperatures. This could have implications

for aquatic food webs and the production of food by aquaculture. The researchers compared the extent to which the adult size of 169 terrestrial, freshwater, and marine species responded to different non-harmful temperatures, in the largest study of its kind.

Summarizing the results, coauthor Andrew Hirst from Queen Mary's School of Biological and Chemical Sciences, said: "Aquatic animals shrink 10 times more than land-dwellers in species the size of large insects or small fish. While animals in water decrease in size by five percent for every degree Celsius of warming, similarly sized species on land shrink, on average, by just half a percent."

The research also demonstrates that the most likely cause of this difference in size is due to the much lower availability of oxygen in water than in air. Warming increases the need for oxygen by organisms on land and in water, however aquatic species have a much harder job meeting this increased demand.— *Xinhua*



Photo taken on 7 Nov, 2012 shows newly-bred fluorescent fish in Taipei, southeast China's Taiwan.— XINHUA

BUSINESS & HEALTH

**Boeing shakes up defence business, cuts management jobs**

WASHINGTON, 8 Nov — Boeing Co said on Wednesday it will restructure its defence, space and security business and cut 30 percent of management jobs from 2010 levels as part of a broad cost-cutting drive. Boeing, the Pentagon's second-largest supplier, said it also will close some facilities in California and consolidate several business units in an effort to trim \$1.6 billion in costs by the end of 2015, on top of \$2.2 billion in reductions achieved since 2010. "We are raising the bar higher because our market challenges and opportunities require it, and our customers' needs demand it," Dennis Muilenburg, chief executive of Boeing Defence, Space &

Security, told employees in a memo obtained by Reuters and confirmed by Boeing.

He said the total savings of \$4 billion would make the company healthier and better able to deal with an increasingly complex and challenging marketplace. "Even with the uncertainty ahead of us, we are charting a positive course, and we are committed to excellence, execution and investment," Muilenburg said. "I like Boeing's competitive position and our approach—facing into it aggressively and with a sense of productive urgency—and not 'hunkering down.'" The sweeping measures come as all US weapons makers are under pressure to cut costs

and preserve profit margins amid dwindling defense spending in the U.S.

Boeing shares pared early losses after news of the restructuring. Early in the day, the stock was down as much as \$2.27, or 3.2 percent, at \$69.31, partly on concern about dwindling defense spending following President Barack Obama's re-election. Boeing said the changes were not a direct response to the threat of additional, across-the-board budget cuts due to take effect on 2 January, or the outcome of US elections, but marked another step in its long-term effort to be more competitive. Muilenburg said the company's strategy had already helped it take market

share from competitors, pioneer new innovations and win orders around the world.

Muilenburg said Boeing would trim executive jobs in its defense business by an additional 10 percent by the end of 2012, eliminating many vice president and director-level jobs and resulting in a 30-percent overall cut in executive jobs over the past two years. In addition to this "tough, but necessary work," Muilenburg said Boeing also planned to increase the ratio of non-managers to managers to a more affordable 12.5 to 1 from 9.7 to 1 now. Together, the measures would result in a 10-percent cut in the cost of management, he said in the message to employees.

Boeing said it could not project exactly how many workers would lose their jobs because it would try to place people in its growing commercial business or other areas. A company spokesman declined to say how many jobs had already been cut from the 2010 level. Boeing and other top weapons makers such as Lockheed Martin Corp, Northrop Grumman Corp and Raytheon Co have focused heavily on cutting costs and drumming up foreign sales to maintain profits as they prepare for a sustained period of weaker defense budgets. Lockheed reduced its management ranks by about 25 percent in recent years after announcing a voluntary buyout.—Reuters

**Business**



Chairman of the board of Audi Rupert Stadler

**China's car market promising: Audi chairman**

BERLIN, 8 Nov — A top official of German car producer Audi AG said on Tuesday that China's car market is full of potential and its sales are expected to continue to flourish.

Attending the 6th Automobile Week Congress in Berlin, Chairman of the board of Audi Rupert Stadler told Xinhua that the sales of Audi cars in China had risen 30 percent this year.

"We will keep going on with the things that we have done. China has a lot of potential," said Stadler, "Since the sales of cars have reached 1 million, we will move to 2 million."

According to Audi's official website, 1 million Audi cars were sold in China in 2010. The company aims to sell another million by 2013.

Xinhua

**FDA approves Xeljanz for rheumatoid arthritis**

**Health**

WASHINGTON, 8 Nov — The US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) on Tuesday approved Xeljanz to treat adults with moderately to severely active RA.



or who are intolerant of, methotrexate.

RA is an autoimmune disease, in which the body's immune system mistakenly attacks healthy tissue leading to inflammation of the joints and surrounding tissues. According to the US Centres for Disease Control and Prevention, RA affects an estimated 1.5 million Americans.

Xeljanz, a pill taken twice daily, works by blocking molecules called "Janus kinases," which are important in the joint inflammation of RA.

The safety and

effectiveness of Xeljanz were evaluated in seven clinical trials in adult patients with moderately to severely active RA.

In all of the trials, patients treated with Xeljanz experienced improvement in clinical response and

physical functioning compared to patients treated with placebo. The use of Xeljanz was associated with an increased risk of serious infections, including opportunistic infections, tuberculosis, cancers and lymphoma, according to the FDA. The most common adverse reactions in clinical trials were upper respiratory tract infections, headache, diarrhea, and inflammation of the nasal passage and the upper part of the pharynx. Xeljanz is marketed by New York-based Pfizer Inc.

Xinhua



Visitors look through a car which presents inner structures at the 13th International Automobile Industry Exhibition in Hangzhou, capital of east China's Zhejiang Province, on 7 Nov, 2012. The 5-day exhibition, which kicked off on Wednesday, attracted 60 exhibitors and showcased more than 400 cars. — XINHUA

**India's Gulf Oil buys US chemicals company for \$1 billion**

MUMBAI, 8 Nov — Indian lubricants maker Gulf Oil Corp (GFCL.NS) said on Tuesday it has acquired US-based specialty chemicals company Houghton International HGINL.UL from a private equity fund for \$1.05 billion. Gulf Oil, part of the diversified Hinduja Group, said Houghton's strong presence in the industrial segment would

complement its own range of automotive lubricants, and expected synergies in manufacturing, sourcing and distribution.

Houghton sells metal working fluids across North America and Europe and operates 12 plants globally. It reported an operating profit of \$132 million for the 12 months to end-September on sales of \$858 million. Gulf

Oil, which sells lubricants and industrial explosives in India and offshore, said it plans to operate Houghton as a separate company. Indian firms have targeted large overseas assets in recent months.

India's Rain Commodities (RACL.NS) agreed to buy Belgium-based specialty chemicals group Ruetgers in a \$918 million

deal last month, while state oil producer ONGC (ONGC.NS) said it is investing \$1 billion in a group of oil fields in Azerbaijan. Gulf Oil said it bought Houghton from a US-based private equity fund, but did not give more details. At 11.00 am (0530 GMT), Gulf Oil shares were trading down 1.8 percent in a former Mumbai market .BSESN.—Reuters

Workers salt and dry scads at Gio Linh District in Vietnam's central Quang Tri Province, on 7 Nov, 2012. XINHUA



## Wintry storm brings new woe to hard-hit

US

Northeast

NEW YORK, 8 Nov—A wintry storm dropped snow and rain on the US Northeast on Wednesday, bringing dangerous winds and knocking out power in a region where hundreds of thousands were still in the dark after Superstorm Sandy.

The nor'easter storm brought fresh misery to thousands in New Jersey, New York and Connecticut whose homes were destroyed by Sandy when it smashed ashore on 29 October, bringing historic flooding and high

winds. The storm killed 121 people in the United States and Canada.

Some 22,000 homes and businesses from the Carolinas to New York lost power on Wednesday, joining the more than 640,000 customers who still lacked electricity from one of the biggest and costliest storms ever to hit the United States.

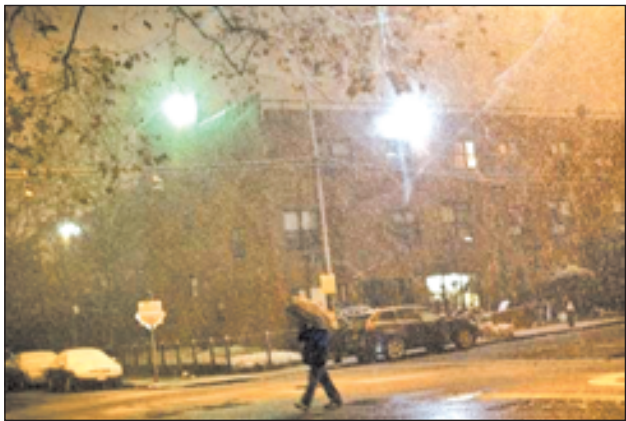
New York and New Jersey evacuated the most vulnerable coastal areas ahead of the nor'easter, which was forecast to bring a high tide

about 2 feet above normal by early on Thursday.

The storm also wreaked havoc with the evening commute out of New York City, leading the Long Island Rail Road to temporarily suspend all operations to the city's eastern suburbs and prompting authorities to close New York's Penn Station.

No major flooding was reported during the storm's first hours, though New York warned residents whose homes had flooded during Sandy to consider moving to friends' homes on higher ground or to city shelters.

Christine Jones, 73, said she had continued to live without heat or power in her beachside apartment building in coastal Far Rockaway in New York — even though it means climbing the stairs to her 10th floor apartment with a flashlight in hand. "They tell us to evacuate," she said, but she and her neighbours do not want to leave. "They're scared they're going to be robbed ... The teen-age boys ... they try to break in." —Reuters



A man walks with an umbrella during a nor'easter, also known as a northeaster storm, in the Red Hook Neighbourhood of New York on 7 Nov, 2012. —REUTERS

## Russia ready to work with US administration under reelected Obama

MOSCOW, 8 Nov—Moscow is ready to work with the US administration under reelected president Barack Obama on the base of equality, mutual benefit and respect, Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov said on Wednesday. "Naturally, we will continue to work with this administration. We are ready to go as far as the US administration is willing to go," Lavrov said in an interview with *Moscow News*.

He said Russia and the United States have many common interests as well as some disagreements. Lavrov recalled that President Vladimir Putin and his US counterpart Obama both put an emphasis on bilateral economic cooperation, saying Putin proposed to create a mechanism for monitoring investment climates in the two countries.

"This idea has not been implemented so far for apparent reasons, but it

remains on our agenda," the Russian top diplomat said, adding that as soon as the administration in Washington is reshuffled, they would push through the proposal. Meanwhile, the minister also hailed the implementation of the New Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty (START) signed by the two countries in 2010.

"We are completely satisfied with how the New START is being implemented into practice. I understand,

the Americans are satisfied, too," he said. Lavrov noted that Moscow saw no reason to question the results of the US presidential elections, in which the incumbent Obama defeated his Republican challenger Mitt Romney to secure a second term in the White House. In recent years, Russian and the United States have witnessed a "reset" in relations launched by Obama and then Russian President Dmitry Medvedev in 2009. —Xinhua

## Ghana mall collapse kills four, investigation ordered

ACCRA, 8 Nov—At least four people were killed and dozens more were trapped in rubble when a four-storey building housing a department store collapsed on Wednesday in a suburb of Ghana's capital Accra.

President John Mahama, running for election in December, cut short a campaign tour to visit the site and promised that anyone found responsible would "pay the price" as it emerged the building had not received proper approval from city authorities.

"This brings to the fore the need for strict enforcement of our building and construction code," Mahama said, calling for an investigation into how codes may have been circumvented.

Rescue workers had pulled 42 survivors from the rubble by nightfall as well as four dead bodies and large crowds gathered to watch, a *Reuters* witness said.

One survivor thrust a triumphant fist in the air to the cheers of onlookers as he was carried to a waiting ambulance. Some of those rescued showed signs of injury, and all were examined at a nearby hospital.

Around 10 people were still believed to be trapped under the wreckage, though authorities said most were in good spirits and some had been able to communicate with their families by mobile telephone. Officials said rescue efforts would continue through the night and emergency workers



Rescue workers look for survivors from the debris of a collapsed building rented by Melcom Ltd, which runs Ghana's largest chain of retail department stores, in Accra on 7 Nov, 2012. —REUTERS

were able to supply trapped victims with drinking water and oxygen through openings in the wreckage.

Emergency officials at the scene said the collapse most likely had been caused

by structural failure. "We never granted any permit for this building so it is a case of an unauthorized structure," Mayor Alfred Okoe Vanderpuije told *Reuters*. —Reuters

A child checks a rifle on display during the five-day International Defence Exhibition at the expo centre in southern Pakistani port city of Karachi, on 7 Nov, 2012. A total of 135 foreign and 74 Pakistani firms participated in the international defense exhibition which kicked off here on Wednesday. —XINHUA



## Putin invites Obama to visit Russia in 2013

Russia

MOSCOW, 8 Nov—Russian President Vladimir Putin confirmed he had invited the just reelected US President Barack Obama to visit Russia in 2013, the Kremlin said on Wednesday on its website.

Putin congratulated Obama for his victory in Tuesday's presidential election.

"In his address, the Russian president made a high assessment of the landslide victory won by the Democratic Party's candidate, taking into account a tense pre-election campaign held in the United

States," the Kremlin press-service said.

Putin highlighted the achievements in Russia-US relations in the previous years and expressed hope for further constructive joint work over bilateral, regional and international problems.

The Russian president also hailed the cooperation between the two countries that is of key importance for maintaining stable development in the world.

Earlier, Michael McFaul, US ambassador to Russia, told *Interfax* that a visit to Russia remains on President Obama's list of

priorities.

In May, Putin, who was then reelected to the Russian presidency for a third non-consecutive term, skipped the G8 Summit at Camp David in the United States, citing urgent domestic issues, but sent his Prime Minister Dmitry Medvedev to the summit.

In September, Obama, stuck in a tight race with Republican candidate Mitt Romney, excused himself from the informal APEC economic leaders' meeting held in the Russian Far Eastern city of Vladivostok. —Xinhua

## Border Patrol agent killed by friendly fire was shot in head

US

PHOENIX, 8 Nov—A US Border Patrol agent killed in an apparent friendly fire incident near the US-Mexico border in Arizona last month died of a gunshot wound to the head, according to an autopsy report released on Wednesday.

Nicholas Ivie, 30, was fatally shot and another agent was wounded in a burst of gunfire in early October as they went to check a tripped ground sensor in the desert near the border town of Naco, a spot

well known for drug and human smuggling.

Pima County Forensic Pathologist Cynthia Porterfield concluded that Ivie died from "a penetrating gunshot wound of the head," noting that a "small caliber copper jacketed projectile" was recovered from his brain. A report by a local sheriff's department released last week revealed that Ivie had been in radio contact with two other agents on the scene in an area of broken, mountainous terrain before the fatal predawn shooting. —Reuters

## Man uses IDs from dead people to collect millions from IRS

CHICAGO, 8 Nov—A Barbados national who stole the identities of hundreds of dead people in a scheme to collect more than \$120 million in bogus tax refunds from the US government was sentenced in federal court on Wednesday to 9-1/2 years in prison. Andrew Watts, 35, pleaded guilty in July to one count of mail fraud and one count of aggravated identity theft.

Prosecutors said Watts, a Barbados national who was in the United States legally, used the stolen identities to file 645 false federal tax returns between 2007 and 2011 and to claim more than

\$120 million in tax refunds.

Watts received more than \$19 million in refund checks from the US Treasury before the Internal Revenue Service discovered the scam.

The vast majority of the money was frozen in various accounts Watts controlled before he could spend it. But according to court documents, Watts used more than \$1.6 million in refunds to rent apartments in New York, Beverly Hills and Chicago, buy a Mercedes Benz SUV and jewelry, provide cash to his girlfriend, and jet back and forth from California to New York.

Reuters

LOCAL NEWS

Monastic school offers accessible education



NAY PYI TAW, 8 Nov—Mandalay Region is providing affordable primary education to children from nearby farmhouses, according to a *Myanma Alinn* report.

The monastic school is providing the compulsory primary education to 21 children from families of farmers from Ziphyu, Nyaungai, Htihlaing, Kokogon, Sedo and Zegon villages who are engaged in farming in nearby farmlands, the report says.

Abbot of the monastery U Sihabhala and teacher U Aung Win founded the school as they found the children from the farmhouses were facing challenges of starting and continuing their schooling.—NLM

Myanmar hopes to end Suzuki Cup jinx

NAY PYI TAW, 8 Nov—Selected Myanmar football team is undergoing training in preparation for Suzuki Cup that kicks off on 24 November, according to a *Myanma Alinn* report.

Myanmar falls into group A where it will fight for a place in semifinals against tough ASEAN rivals Thailand, Vietnam, Malaysia and the Philippines.

The team is in training to ensure its “best” performance in the cup, Park Saung Hua, head coach of Myanmar team said.

Injuries in the qualifiers will have impact on the



team, forcing it to leave off striker Kyaw Ko Ko, playmaker Kyaw Zeyar Win and fullback Yan Aung Win.

Some other players that remain in the squad also sustain minor injuries.

“Every match is important and the team will try to pass through the group stage,” the head coach said.

Myanmar plays a J-League 2 club at Thuwunna Stadium on 15 and 17 November in its last-ditch preparation for the tournament.

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SEA Games volunteers prepare for opening, closing ceremonies

NAY PYI TAW, 8 Nov—Volunteers who will participate in opening and closing ceremonies of XXVII SEA Games to be hosted by Myanmar in 2013 are rehearsing here.

University students will portray the monarchial eras and culture of the country, and unity and sympathy of the people.

“67 students from Meiktila University are

rehearsing here for opening and closing ceremonies,” said Associate Professor of the University Dr Ni Ni Sein who is supervising the team.

“We’re trying to display our best performance,” said Ma Thet Hmu Naing of Sagaing Education University. Students from universities and colleges around the country are participating in the rehearsal.

*Myanma Alinn*

Imported fishes need certification

NAY PYI TAW, 8 Nov—Tuna and Salmon fishes imported by hotels in Myanmar should be accredited ones, officials suggested at the weekly seminar of Myanmar Fishery Federation.

Myanmar will import fishes from Norway, according to a *Myanma Alinn*.

MFF lab will test the quality of the fishes.

IWT to ply Hlinethaya-Yangon route

NAY PYI TAW, 8 Nov—Inland Water Transport will run Hlinethaya-Yangon route for the workers in Hlinethaya Township to offer alternative for traffic jam-prone road transportation, according to a *Myanma Alinn* report.

“We’ll ply test routes once in a morning from

Bayintnaung to Hsin-oodan and in the evening in rush hours,” *Myanma Alinn* quoted an unnamed official.

“It’s sure that the vessel will be packed with passengers,” an employee of Pansoedan-Dala vessel said. He said those from either side of Yangon River are facing difficulties to visit

the downtown Yangon.

Most the commuters in nearby Yangon who depended much on city buses in the previous years are now looking for other alternatives as most of the roads in Yangon are facing a grave challenge from the increasing traffic jams.

NLM



NAY PYI TAW, 8 Nov—Winner Sports opened new shop in Mingala Taungnyunt Township in Yangon.

Managing Director of Winner Sports Co Ltd U

Winner Sports open new shop

Tauk Tun formally opened the shop.

Hailing XXVII SEA Games and 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary

of Winner Sports, the shop will offer discounts to customers.

MNA

Yangon International Marathon on 27 Jan

NAY PYI TAW, 8 Nov—More than 1000 foreign and local racers are expected to participate in Yangon International Marathon that takes place on 27 January 2013, *Myanma Alinn* report.

The marathon will include 42 km marathon, 10 km race and 3 km amateur race.

The event will be sponsored by Yoma Strategic Holding Com-pany.

The proceeds from the event will go to charity

The lab will also issue the certificate approving the local consumption.—NLM

to philanthropic schools, charity clinics and blind schools.

The prospective athletes may register at Grand Mee Yahta Executive Residence.

NLM



Myanmar Business Conference held

YANGON, 8 Nov—Myanmar Business Conference was held at Kandawgyi Palace Hotel in Yangon on 6-7 November.

The seventh conference was attended by Deputy Transport Minister U Han Sein.

The six former conferences organized by

Foreign Recruitment Centre Pte Ltd (FRC) in cooperation with line ministries were held in Yangon, Singapore and Kuala Lumpur.

The deputy minister said there are opportunities for freight forwarding and shipping agencies in Myanmar.

MNA

Digicel champions celebrate victory

NAY PYI TAW, 8 Nov—Pathein welcomed back MFF Digicel Cup winners Ayeyawaddy United FC.

Teachers, school-children, townselders and local people of Pathein cheered the victorious team

along the road from the entrance gate of the town to downtown.

The ceremony to honour knock-out champions was held at Pathein Hotel on 2 November.

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## PERSPECTIVES

Friday, 9 November, 2012

## Corporate Social Responsibility

With a number of reforms, there is a massive influx of foreign investments into the country. Here, we need to know what Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) is. The term "Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) or Corporate Responsibility (CR) or Sustainable Business came into common use in the late 1960s and early 1970s after many multinational corporations formed the term stakeholders. CSR is the process of assessing an organization's impact on society and evaluating their responsibilities.

CSR is a process with the aim to embrace responsibility for the company's actions and encourage a positive impact through its activities on the environment, consumers, employees, communities, stakeholders and all other members of the public sphere who may also be considered as stakeholders. Many organizations have a CSR Policy, which defines areas of concern and initiatives to improve relations with the people and environments affected by business operations.

CSR policies often dictate a system for monitoring responsible performance. CSR policy functions as a built-in, self-regulating mechanism whereby a business monitors and ensures its active compliance with the spirit of the law, ethical standards, and international norms. For a business to take responsibility for its actions, that business must be fully accountable. Social accounting, a concept describing the communication of social and environmental effects of a company's economic actions to particular interest groups within society and to society at large, is thus an important element of CSR. So, local and overseas companies should have CSR.

## Korean Expo 2012 launched

YANGON, 8 Nov—Korean Expo 2012 was opened at MCC on Mindhamma Road in Mayangon Township, here, this morning. Vice-Chairman of KOTRA Mr Ki-Woo, Yangon Region Minister for Development Affairs Yangon Mayor U Hla Myint and Korean Deputy Minister of Knowledge Economy Mr Jin-Hyun Han extended

greetings.

Korean Ambassador to Myanmar Mr Kim Hae-Yong spoke words of thanks.

They cut the ribbon to open the Expo and looked around the booths. Korean made foodstuff, construction utensils, electrical appliances, household wares and cosmetic products are displayed by 50 companies till 11 November.—MNA

## PYITHU HLUTTAW

### Pyithu Hluttaw session focuses on infrastructural requirements



Pyithu Hluttaw representatives attending meeting.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 8 Nov—Today's Pyithu Hluttaw session focused on infrastructural development with questions about transportation, electricity supply and irrigation facilities.

Deputy Minister for Construction U Soe Tint, regarding the question about latest developments of Hpa-an-Kawkareik-Myawady road and construction of new Myawady-Kawkareik road, replied that Hpa-an-Eindu section would be upgraded with B.O.T system and his ministry would maintain Eindu-Kawkareik road section in 2012-2013 fiscal year and the road sections would be upgraded with grants of the Asia Development Bank.

Thai Company Seesang would repair and tarmac Thingannyinaung-Myawady road section in 2012-2013 fiscal year. Agreement has been reached to construct Thingannyinaung-Kawkareik road section with assistance of

Thai government, which would be carried out by Seesang. It is projected to be completed in 2014-2015 fiscal year.

The deputy minister, with regard to question about **if there is any plan to construct a suspension bridge across the Kokkowa River linking Htantabin and Lamudan Village in Yangon Region**, replied that it is projected to initiate in 2016-2017 fiscal year.

Deputy Minister for Electric Power U Myint Zaw, with respect to question about **if there is any plan for extension of national grid and electricity supply through purchase or establishment of hydropower plants**, replied that it is planned to provide 5000 KVA diesel generator for Tamu in 2013-2014 fiscal year, and urban electricity supply would be increased depending

on the budget allocation. Plans are under way to extend over 9000 feet of power grid in Sawbwin Ward. It can be allowed to purchase electricity from India under the agreement of local authorities and town power supply committee. Small-scale hydropower generation would be undertaken under the arrangement of the region government and local authorities.

Regarding the question about **if there is any plan to supply electricity to Tawpon Village-tract in Shwegu Township**, the deputy minister replied that if it is required to cooperate with local authorities if it urgently needs electricity. The ministry would authorize within the framework, providing necessary technical assistance.

Deputy Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation

U Khin Zaw, as regards the questions about **if there is any plan to open a branch of Myanmar Agricultural Development Bank in Taninthayi Township, if the bank has plan to give appropriate loans to betel growers**, replied that there is no plan for both for the time being. With regard to question about whether **there is plan to construct a dam at the foot of one of the possible places among Mt. Byaing, Mt. Phoneygi and Mt. Kyet in the north-west of Manaung Island and another one at the foot of Mt. Kamauk and Mt. Palengu in the south-west of Manaung Island**, the deputy minister replied that survey works would be conducted for construction of Kyettaung Dam at the foot of Mt. Kyet in Ngapongon Village and Mimakywe Dam near Mimakywe Village.

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### MP urges designation of agriculture of core industry of nation

NAY PYI TAW, 8 Nov—U Tin Maung Oo of Shwepyitha Constituency at today's Pyithu Hluttaw session, put forward a proposal urging the Union government for designation of agriculture industry as the leading sector for economic development of the nation in its democratization process and acceleration of pace from various aspects.

Deputy Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Khin Zaw and Deputy Minister for National Planning and Economic

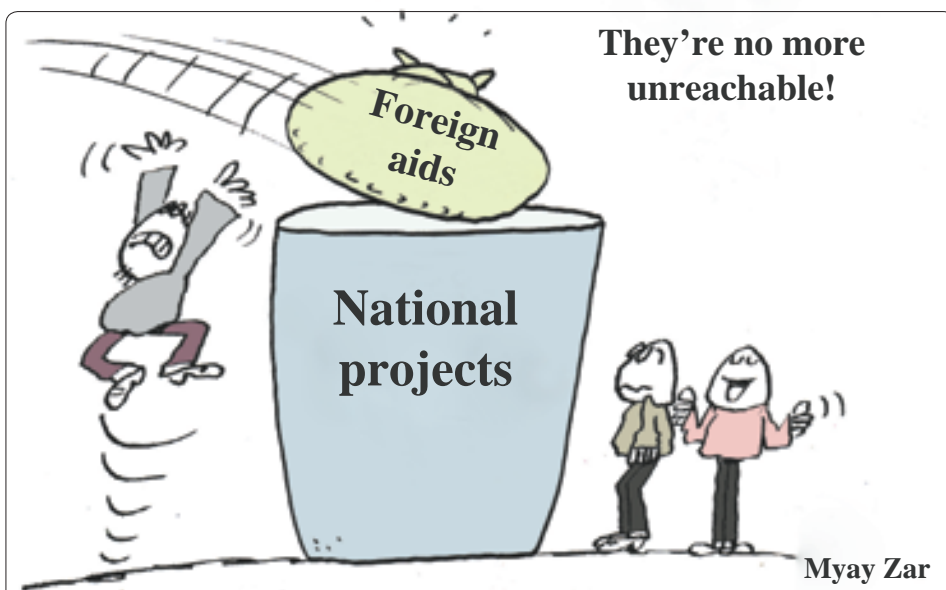
Development Dr Daw Khin San Yi discussed that the proposal should be put on record as the State is encouraging the agrarian economy from various aspects.

The Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker stressed the State needs to fix the lowest price for rice in coordination with agencies concerned after the harvest. Only then, can sellers and buyers refer to it, noted the Speaker who called for coordination between personnel of ministries concerned to



Deputy Minister Dr Daw Khin San Yi participating in discussion.—MNA

make sure it is in practice on the ground.—NLM





NATIONAL

MYANMAR GAZETTE



Business talks between Myanmar and Thailand in progress.—MNA

Myanmar, Thailand ...

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investment between the two countries, he added.

He expressed his hope that he would work together with Ms Yingluck Shinawatra for strengthening the relations and cooperation between the two countries as the Prime Minister was making efforts for speeding up the bilateral cooperation.

Afterwards, in the presence of the Vice-President of Myanmar and the Prime Minister of Thailand at the Outer Ivory Room of Thai Koo Fah building, Union Minister for Industry U Aye Myint and Thai Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Mr Surapong Tovichakchaikul

ex-changed the MoUs on establishing phase by phase the First Myanmar-Thailand Joint High-Level Committee for the Comprehensive Development in the Dawei Special Economic Zone and Its Related Project Areas.

Afterwards, they had a documentary photo taken. The Myanmar delegation led by Vice-President U Nyan Tun attended the First Myanmar-Thailand Joint High-Level Committee Meeting for the Comprehensive Development in the Dawei Special Economic Zone and Its Related Project Areas at the Shangri-La Hotel.

During the meeting, the two sides discussed matters related to implementation of

the projects and development of the economy of the local area, creation of job opportunities, education, health and improvement of socio-economy of local people and environmental conservation and sustainable development. The Deputy Prime Minister and Finance Minister of Thailand hosted a luncheon in honour of the Myanmar delegation at the hotel. In the afternoon, personnel from Industrial Estate Authority of Thailand reported on tasks for development of industrial zones and sustainable development for coal-fired power plants to Vice-President U Nyan Tun.

The delegation arrived back Yangon in the evening. MNA

The President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar has confirmed the appointment of Director-General U Aung Lin of the ASEAN Affairs Department under the Ministry of Foreign Affairs on expiry of the one-year probationary period.

AMYOTHA HLUTTAW

Eleventh-day session of Amyotha Hluttaw continues

NAY PYI TAW, 8 Nov — Amyotha Hluttaw continued its eleventh-day session at Amyotha Hluttaw Building in Hluttaw Complex here this morning, attended by Amyotha Hluttaw Speaker



U Gam Saing of Kachin Constituency No (2) raises question.

MNA

U Khin Aung Myint and 197 representatives.

Eight representatives held discussions on the

proposal urging the Union Government to allow Region/State governments for granting permission for formation of national race literature and cultural associations submitted by U Khet Htain Nan (Secretary of National Race Affairs Committee) of Kachin State Constituency No (1).

Regarding the proposal, Deputy Minister for Home Affairs Brig-Gen Kyaw Zan Myint discussed that only the Union government should be responsible for granting permission for formation of national race literature and culture associations with the aim of avoiding misunderstandings between minority national races and majority national races as all national races have been living in every state and region; that further discussions should be held after enacting the Law to protect the rights of national races that was approved in the First Pyithu Hluttaw

fourth regular session held on 27 July 2012; and that the proposal should be put on record.

As the majority was in favour of the proposal, the



U Ha Shein Bwe of Chin Constituency No (8) asks question.

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Hluttaw decided that the proposal was approved.

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Governing Body issues code of ethics for Public Service Media (PSM)

NAY PYI TAW, 8 Nov—In conversion of State-owned newspapers to Public Service Media (PSM), five-member Newspaper Governing Body has been formed on 18 October this year to lay down necessary policies, ethics and guidelines for editors.

The governing body headquartered at News and Periodicals Enterprise (Head Office) on Theinbyu Street, Yangon held its first meeting on 25 October under the aegis of Chairman U Ye Tint and has so far met for three times.

Those meetings laid down Code of Ethics for Public Service Media as follows:

(a) The Press shall do all in their power to ensure that the information imparted by them to the public is factually accurate. They shall check before publishing all items of information to the best of their ability. No

facts are to be wilfully distorted or essential facts deliberately suppressed.

(b) The right of the individual for protection of his reputation and integrity shall be respected. Publicity that violates the sanctity of privacy shall be avoided. Unless it is deemed necessary in the interest of the public.

(c) If and when inaccurate or false piece of information is published, the paper concerned shall correct it at the earliest opportunity, giving the correction due prominence on the same page as the earlier incorrect information.

(d) News reports shall be strictly separated from opinion.

(e) Discretion must be observed concerning sources of information. Professional secrecy must also be observed in all matters revealed in confidence.

(f) In reporting news stories, it must be solemnly observed that the accused (or) the suspect is innocent until he is found guilty by a competent court of law.

(g) In reporting news stories, it must avoid the reporting that can hamper the contempt of code and interfere in trail.

(h) The personal of the press must never accept any form of bribe or permit personal interest. Any matters that can damage fairness and non-alignment must not be done, which is the highest priority for media men.

(i) Media men shall not instigate religious or racial hatred or subject any race, religion, or nationality to unjust criticism.

(j) Journalist shall not copy news, photo, cartoon, articles and advertisement created by others or shall avoid

plagiarism. (k) Journalists are to declare that he himself is a journalist while collecting the news. They shall not collect the news by way of deception.

(l) Journalists shall avoid fabrication regarding the source of information.

(m) Conflict of interest shall be avoided regarding personal and newspapers. If there is the conflict of interest, public interest and newspaper works are to be prioritized.

(n) The responsibility of the Public Service Media is to timely and accurately inform the public of the matters occurred in the human society. Nothing shall be published and reported that will not be of benefit to the nation and its people. Public Service Newspapers are to be free from administration and party attachments, political, economic

and personal interests and have to stand righteously.

(o) Nothing shall be published that will endanger the security, stability and sovereignty of the Union.

(p) The following are to be avoided in any form of publications, such as news, photos, cartoons, articles and advertisements.

(a) immorality or obscenity;

(b) use of vulgar expression;

(c) malicious imputations; and

(d) false and defamatory statements.

It is learnt that the governing body will encourage Myanma Alinn, Kyemon and The New Light of Myanmar dailies which are going to be transformed into Public Service Newspapers to report and publish news in accordance with the aforementioned ethics.

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Tatmadaw's efforts to bring peace to conflict areas clarified

NAY PYI TAW, 8 Nov—Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Commander-in-Chief (Army) General Soe Win received Ambassador of the United States of America to Myanmar Mr Derek Mitchell at the Zeyathiri Beikman here this afternoon.

During the meeting, they discussed matters on bilateral relations and promoting cooperation between the two armies, cooperation in fighting against drug and cooperation of the Tatmadaw with the government and the people in bringing peace to the areas in Rakhine State where riots were rife and making peace with ethnic armed groups in Kachin State. — MNA

US

## Gunman kills three including self at California plant

FRESNO, (California), 8 Nov— A poultry processing plant employee opened fire on his co-workers on Tuesday, killing two men and injuring two other people before fatally wounding himself with a bullet to the head, authorities said.

Fresno police Lieutenant Don Gross said the shooter opened fire in a single room and that, with machinery operating, it was loud and some of those shot may not have known they were coming under fire.

At least three of them were wearing ear protection to block out noise, he said.

The gunman, identified as Lawrence Jones, 42, had a criminal history and was found by officers on the sidewalk near the plant with a self-inflicted gunshot wound to the head, Police Chief Jerry Dyer told reporters. He was taken to a hospital in critical condition but was later pronounced dead.

Plant worker Salvador Diaz, 32, was shot in the head and pronounced dead at the scene, Gross said. Also



Law enforcement officials look over the scene where a poultry processing plant employee opened fire on his co-workers in Fresno, California on 6 Nov, 2012, killing two men and injuring two other people before fatally wounding himself with a bullet to the head.—REUTERS

killed was Manuel Verdin, 34, another worker at the plant who also was shot in the head, transported to a hospital and later died, he said. Fresno County Coroner Dr David Hadden said another person was saved when the shooter aimed the gun and pulled the trigger, only to discover he had run out of bullets in his four-shot revolver. The shooter later reloaded to kill himself, he

said. A 28-year-old male employee was hit in the neck and was hospitalized in critical condition, Gross said. A 32-year-old woman was

shot in the buttocks, but is in stable condition, he said.

About 30 workers inside the plant are believed to have witnessed the shooting, and roughly another 30 were there but did not see what happened, Dyer said. "This was a senseless, violent act that affects our entire community," Mayor Ashley Swearengin said in a statement.

Jones worked at the plant for the past 14 months and had a criminal history dating to the 1990s, Dyer said. His past crimes included auto theft and home invasion robbery, Gross said.

A woman who works at the plant, but declined to give her name, told reporters in Spanish that she saw the gunman move from table to table at the plant as he opened fire.—Reuters



Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas (R) meets with Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov in Amman, Jordan, on 6 Nov, 2012.—XINHUA

## Car bomb in Iraq kills 33

Iraq

BEIJING, 8 Nov— At least 33 people have been killed and dozens more injured by a car bomb in Iraq.

The bomb exploded at the entrance to an Iraqi army base near Baghdad Tuesday as troops were leaving the base in Taji, 20 kilometres

north of the capital. There was no immediate claim of responsibility. The attack is the second bombing in Taji this week. On Monday, two car bombings killed at least 4 people and wounded 16 others around Baghdad.

Xinhua

## UN, Russia aid Cuban hurricane victims

Cuba

HAVANA, 8 Nov—The UN World Food Programme (WFP) on Tuesday announced that it was sending an emergency aid package to help victims of Hurricane Sandy in Cuba's hard-hit eastern region.

Spokeswoman Elisabeth Byrs said in Geneva that the WFP planned to deliver a month's food provisions to half a million people living in the port city of Santiago de Cuba, where Sandy caused the most devastation.

According to the Cuban daily *Granma*, UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon called Cuban leader Raul Castro last week to convey his condolences for the deaths and damage caused by Sandy

and suggested the UN funds provide aid for Cuba.

Meanwhile, local media said Castro met with Russian Industry and Trade Minister Denis Manturov on Monday to thank Russia for its generous donation of construction materials to help rebuild homes damaged by the storm.

Last week, a plane belonging to Russia's Ministry of Emergency Situations landed in San-tiago de Cuba with 32 tons of construction materials.

Hurricane Sandy made its landfall in Cuba on 25 Oct, leaving 11 dead, destroying thousands of homes and causing economic losses of about 90 million US dollars, according to preliminary figures.—Xinhua

## Seven injured in Texas gas company explosion

US

HOUSTON, 8 Nov— Seven people were hurt in an explosion at a gas company in the US state of Texas on Tuesday, officials said.

Scott Burlin, a fire official in Montgomery County, Texas, said two people were transported by helicopter to area hospitals after the incident, while the other five were taken to hospitals by ambulance, according to KCEN-TV, a NBC-affiliated television station for central Texas. However, the extent of the injuries were not known.

The sheriff's office in Montgomery County said earlier that people were injured in the blast that took place at about 12:25 pm

at the Amerigas Cylinder Exchange facility in eastern Montgomery County.

The explosion occurred on the assembly line at the plant operated by AmeriGas Inc., the country's largest distributor of propane.

Company spokesman Bill Katz said the injured were either AmeriGas employees or workers for contractors at a plant that fills tanks for gas grills.

Burlin said the fire was put out in about 20 minutes and didn't spread outside the plant, which is a rural area.

The cause of the explosion was not immediately available.

Xinhua

## Pilot killed in small plane crash in Oklahoma

US

HOUSTON, 8 Nov—A pilot was killed Tuesday after his small plane crashed in the US state of Oklahoma, local officials said.

The single-engine airplane crashed near the Anadarko Municipal Airport, in the Oklahoma city of Anadarko, the news website Newok.com. quoted George Brown of the Oklahoma Highway Patrol as reporting.

The crash was reported

at about 1 pm on Tuesday and the pilot appeared to be the only person on board the plane, said Brown.

Brown said witnesses reported the plane appeared to be on approach to the airport, but no further information was available about where the flight originated or what its destination was.

The Oklahoma Highway Patrol is investigating the cause of the crash, the report said.—Xinhua



Wieslaw Klimczak, chairman of the Dom Polski Association (1st, R), addresses the opening ceremony of 2012 Poland-China Tibetan Culture Week in Warsaw, capital of Poland, on 5 Nov, 2012. The 2012 Poland-China Tibetan Culture Week opened here in Warsaw on Monday, aiming to give the Poles a glimpse of Tibet and its traditional culture.—XINHUA

## UN mission liaises with Syria, Israel after firefights in Golan

Middle East

UNITED NATIONS, 8 Nov— A UN spokesperson on Tuesday said a UN force is working to ease tensions between Israel and Syria, after firing was recently reported between the Syrian army and opposition forces in Golan, a separation area that acts as a buffer zone between the two countries.

"There have been sporadic firefights between the Syrian security forces, including the Syrian army, and armed members of the opposition in the area of separation in Golan," Martin Nesirky, spokesperson for UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon, told reporters at the daily briefing here.

He said that the activity "has the potential to escalate tensions between Israel and

Syria, and jeopardizes the ceasefire between the two countries and the stability of the region."

The UN Disengagement Observer Force (UNDOF), which is stationed on the Golan Heights, will continue to "liaise with Syrian authorities and the Israel Defence Forces (IDF) to prevent an escalation of tension," said Nesirky.

Founded by the UN Security Council in May 1974, UNDOF is mandated to enforce an agreement that ended a conflict between Syria and Israel and called for the territory to become a separation zone between the two nations.

The mission has been operating with cooperation from both parties, largely

without incident.

"The presence of military personnel and the military operations in the area of separation are a grave violation of the 1974 Agreement on Disengagement between Israeli and Syrian forces," said Nesirky.

It also "exposes United Nations personnel to serious safety and security risks," said the spokesperson. "The safety and security of United Nations personnel are primarily the responsibility of the host government."

Military activity in the region included the use of mortar shells and tank rounds by the Syrian army, which landed in Israel-occupied territory on at least two occasions, according to Nesirky.—Xinhua

REGIONAL

**Cambodia's military police conducts exercise in preparation for 21<sup>st</sup> ASEAN Summit**

PHNOM PENH, 8 Nov — Hundreds of military police conducted an exercise on Wednesday in preparation for the forthcoming 21<sup>st</sup> ASEAN Summit and related Summits slated for 15-20 November.

Speaking to reporters at the exercise field at the Phnom Penh Municipal Military Police Headquarters, Maj Gen Ya Kim Y, commander of the Phnom Penh Municipal Military Police, said the exercise was to strengthen capacity and skills for armed forces in order to ensure security and safety for ASEAN leaders and world leaders who will come to Cambodia for the Summit and related meetings.

He said a large-scale exercise will be held on Thursday at the capital's Diamond Island, and thousands of military police,

police and bodyguards will join the event.

Cambodia will host the 21<sup>st</sup> ASEAN Summit and related Summits from 15 to 20 November at the Peace Palace in Phnom Penh, the

capital of Cambodia.

All heads of states and governments of the member states of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations will attend the Summits.

Besides, newly-

ASEAN

elected US President Barack Obama, Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao and Japanese Prime Minister Yoshihiko Noda will also attend the event, Khieu Kanharith told reporters on Wednesday, adding that Russian President Vladimir Putin will probably attend the Summits as well.

In addition, more than 1,600 reporters around the globe have registered with the ministry of information to cover the Summits, he said, adding that the figure doesn't include the number of reporters who will accompany their respective leaders to the meetings.

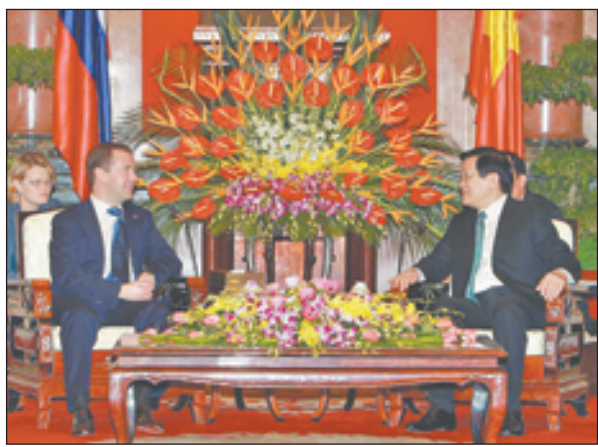
ASEAN groups Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam.

Xinhua



*Cambodian Government Spokesman and Information Minister Khieu Kanharith (C) speaks after more than 1600 reporters have registered to cover 21st ASEAN Summit and related Summits in Phnom Penh, Cambodia, on 7 Nov, 2012.*

XINHUA



*Vietnamese President Truong Tan Sang (R) meets with visiting Russian Prime Minister Dmitry Medvedev at the President Office in Hanoi, Vietnam, on 7 Nov, 2012. Dmitry Medvedev is in Hanoi for a two-day visit to Vietnam.—XINHUA*

**One killed, 13 injured as blast hits Karachi, Pakistan**

ISLAMABAD, 8 Nov — At least one security person was killed and 13 others injured when a blast hit a paramilitary force's headquarters in Pakistan's southern port city of Karachi on Thursday morning, reported local media Geo.

The blast took place at about 7:00 am local time near a main gate of a headquarters of Rangers, a paramilitary force in Pakistan, in the Nazimabad area of Karachi.

Local Urdu TV channel Express said that it was a suicide car bomb attack, but there is no official confirmation about the nature of the blast yet.

Following the blast, part of the headquarters building collapsed and caught fire. Rescue work is under way.

All the injured have been shifted to Abbasi Shaheed Hospital in the city. Hospital sources said that nine people

were critically injured and the death toll could further rise.

One suspect has been arrested in the search operation, said police.

Xinhua



*Visitors attend the Indodefence 2012 Expo and Forum held in Jakarta International Expo Kemayoran in Jakarta, Indonesia, on 7 Nov, 2012. As many as 603 firms from 42 countries and areas attended the Indodefence 2012 Expo and Forum on Wednesday, one of the biggest industry gatherings in Southeast Asia this year.—XINHUA*

**Shark finning ban wins cross-party support in New Zealand Parliament**

WELLINGTON, 8 Nov — Seven of the eight political parties represented in the New Zealand Parliament on Wednesday offered to support a ban on shark finning in New Zealand, according to an alliance of local and international conservation groups.

Only the National Party, which leads the coalition government under Prime Minister John Key, declined to meet with the New Zealand Shark Alliance (NZSA) to discuss the issue at an event in Wellington, said a statement from the NZSA.

NZSA spokesperson Katrina Subedar said New Zealand was one of the world's top 20 exporters of shark fins, which were sliced off the animal before the carcass was dumped back into the sea.

"It is shameful that this disgusting practice is still legal inside our exclusive economic zone," Subedar said in the statement.

The practice was banned in almost 100 countries, but an estimated 73 million to 100 million sharks were caught around the world every year solely for their fins, causing a significant global decline in shark populations, she said.

New Zealand's Ministry for Primary Industries was currently reviewing the National Plan of Action for Sharks, which set out to conserve and manage shark species. The NZSA called on the ministry to use the opportunity to end shark finning in New Zealand, with legislation requiring fishers to bring sharks ashore with fins naturally attached, so the

New Zealand

whole shark could be used.

Conservation spokeswoman for the main opposition Labour Party, Ruth Dyson, said the government had to act to end shark finning in New Zealand waters.—Xinhua

**Australia's unemployment rate remains at 5.4 pct in Oct**

SYDNEY, 8 Nov — Australia's unemployment rate decreased to 5.4 percent in October, 0.1 percentage point lower than the forecast 5.5 percent, the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) said on Thursday.

The ABS said the number of people employed rose by 10,700 to 11,523,200 in October, while the number of people unemployed decreased by 8,800 people to

**Two policemen, six militants killed in N Afghanistan**

MAIMANA, (Afghanistan), 8 Nov — Up to six Taliban militants and two policemen were killed following a clash between the police and militants in Afghanistan's northern province of Faryab overnight, the police said on Wednesday.

"A group of armed militants, numbered around 20, launched an armed attack against Afghan Local Police (ALP) checkpoints in Shirin Tagab District, sparking a gun battle lasting for hours Tuesday night," acting-provincial police chief, Nabi Mullahkhil, told Xinhua.

He said the fighting left two ALP cops and six militants dead in the province 425 km northwest of Afghan capital Kabul.

"A Taliban deputy shadowy district chief for the district named Qari Firoz was among the dead and the ALP also arrested three militants besides seizing weapons

after the clash," he added.

In addition, a Taliban key commander named Qari Hizatullah was killed by Afghan police in Chardara district in northern Kunduz Province Tuesday evening, provincial police chief Samiullah Qatra told Xinhua earlier Wednesday.

The police official said that Hizatullah was responsible for several subversive activities and

ambush-style attacks on Afghan and NATO-led coalition forces in the province 250 km north of Kabul.

However, the Taliban insurgent group, which announced the launching of an annual rebel offensive from 3 May against Afghan government and some 100,000 NATO-led coalition forces, has not to make comments yet.—Xinhua



*A visitor looks at a car displayed at the 13th International Automobile Industry Exhibition in Hangzhou, capital of China's Zhejiang Province, on 7 Nov, 2012. The five-day exhibition, which kicked off on Wednesday, displays more than 100 vehicles of 60 brands from both home and abroad.*

XINHUA

Australia

653,200 in the same month.

Full-time employment increased by 18,700 to 8,130,100 in October while part-time employment dropped by 8,000 to 3,393,100.

The October labour force participation rate eased slightly to 65.1 percent, compared with 65.2 percent in September.—Xinhua

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An actor performs an aria of Shaanxi opera at the Gansu Theater in Lanzhou, capital of northwest China's Gansu Province, on 6 Nov, 2012.

A performance was held here Tuesday night to celebrate the opening of an eight-day Shaanxi opera art festival. Shaanxi Opera, commonly known as Qinqiang, is the oldest of all the Chinese operas that are still in existence today. —XINHUA

## Scotland train derailment may have been deliberate

EDINBURGH, 8 Nov—The cause of Sunday's train derailment between Dundee and Aberdeen in northeast Scotland may be an object deliberately placed on the tracks, British Transport Police revealed on Tuesday.

The incident, which

occurred on Sunday morning at Inverkeilor between Arbroath and Montrose, caused two days of rail transport disruption, leading to passengers to Aberdeen having to choose bus transport from Dundee, about 88 km northeast to Edinburgh, capital

of Scotland.

Fortunately, none of the 36 passengers were injured, while the driver of the CrossCountry train suffered a minor head injury as the front carriage of the early morning Edinburgh to Aberdeen train came off the

tracks but remained upright.

An obstruction had been found at the scene, said the police, declining to identify it but believing it had been placed there deliberately, said the online Scotsman newspaper.

Xinhua

## Vietnam, Uruguay pledge to boost ties, cooperation



Vietnamese Vice President Nguyen Thi Doan (2nd L) holds talks with visiting Uruguayan Vice President and President of the Congress Danilo Astori (2nd R) in Hanoi, capital of Vietnam, on 6 Nov, 2012. Danilo Astori is on a three-day state visit to Vietnam. —XINHUA

HANOI, 8 NOV—Vietnam attaches importance to developing friendship and comprehensive cooperation with Uruguay, for the interest of the two peoples, and for peace, stability, cooperation and development in the two regions, said Vietnamese Vice President Nguyen Thi Doan. Doan made the statement in Hanoi on Tuesday during the talks with her Uruguayan counterpart,

Danilo Astori who is on an official visit to Vietnam from 5-8 Nov to promote bilateral ties.

The Vietnamese state leader highly evaluated the opening of the Embassy of Uruguay in Hanoi in 2011, and Uruguay's ongoing consideration to recognize Vietnam's market economy.

Vietnam and Uruguay have lots of potential for cooperation and support to

each other's development, in the areas of agriculture, aquatic cultivation, fishing, seafood processing, information technology, telecommunications, tourism and infrastructure, said the Vietnamese Vice President, recommending that the Uruguayan government provides favorable conditions to Vietnamese businesses to export goods to Uruguay.

On behalf of the Vietnamese state and people, Doan highly appreciated friendship and support of the Uruguayan people in their fight for national independence in the past, as well as in national construction at present.

Uruguayan vice president, for his part, sincerely thanked warm welcome by the Vietnamese leaders and people to the Uruguayan high-ranking delegation.

Uruguay hopes to enhance relationship and expand cooperation with Vietnam

in such areas as investment, agriculture and agricultural produce processing, as well as to supply Vietnam with Uruguay's special products as beef, fruit and wine.

At the talks, the two leaders agreed to promote exchange of high-ranking delegations and establish legal and appropriate framework and mechanism to boost all-sided cooperation.

Both sides will maintain the political dialogue between the two foreign ministries, as well as support each other in international organizations and at multilateral forums.

They also pledged to support each other together for the post of the United Nations' Human Right Council during 2014-2016 term — to be a permanent member of the UN Security Council during 2016-2017 term for Uruguay, and for Vietnam during 2020-2021 term.

Xinhua

## UN asks LatAm firms to grow with social responsibility

LIMA, 8 Nov—Latin American companies need to promote balanced growth that combines development with social responsibility, Regional Coordinator of the United Nations System in Peru Rebeca Arias said on Tuesday.

"We seek economic development with greater social inclusion," Arias told Xinhua during the Second Business Forum on the UN Global Compact in Latin America and the Caribbean, held in Lima on Tuesday.

At the event, Arias presented a lecture titled "Sustainable Development in Latin America and the Caribbean," urging the 400 forum participants to generate not only wealth but also human development.

Regional firms need to attain a "greater commitment from entrepreneurs to continue focusing more on economic development, job creation and increased investment in social development," she said.

Arias also stressed the need to develop new technologies in the region to combat the dangers of climate change. "Invest more in the environment and in adopting new clean technologies to lower carbon emissions, because climate change is affecting us a lot," the UN official said. Arias said Latin American companies should develop production and consumption patterns that leave small carbon footprints.

Xinhua

## Kenyan conservationists appeal to public to desist from killing stray wildlife

NAIROBI, 8 Nov—The Kenya Wildlife Service (KWS) has appealed to members of the public to desist from killing wild animals but instead reported such incidents to its rangers or government officials for possible action. KWS said in a statement issued in Nairobi on Tuesday that stray animals are dangerous and could kill or injure people, adding that these animals are wild and unpredictable.

"While human wildlife

conflict incidences are regrettable, because of the damage to property and possible injuries on human, we encourage communities to liaise with KWS officials in their area to pre-empt such possibilities," KWS said.

"This will go a long way in protecting wildlife species in the country for posterity," it said. The statement follows a retaliatory attack on stray buffaloes that occurred in Bura area, Taita Taveta County of coastal region on

3 Nov. It has been reliably learnt that a herd of buffaloes from Tsavo West National Park have been roaming the neighbourhood in search of water and pasture.

KWS officials have cited human-wildlife conflict as one of the major causes of declining number of lions in Kenya. They say carnivores still like lions attack livestock and this in turn leads to retaliation by the humans.

KWS listed elephants, lions, wild dogs, leopards,

cheetah, hyenas, Sitatunga, Tana crested mangabey, and Tana red Columbus mon-keys as some of the most endangered wildlife species in Kenya. The number of wild animals in Kenya has reduced drastically, threatening the existence of one of the country's major attraction to tourists who bring most of foreign exchange, new data released by the Kenya Wildlife Service (KWS) indicates.—Xinhua



People gathered as smoke rises from the attack site in southwest Pakistan's Khuzdar on 2 Nov, 2012. At least 18 people including 5 women and 3 children were killed and several others injured when a fuel station was attacked by unknown gunmen in Pakistan's southwest town of Khuzdar on Friday afternoon, police said. —XINHUA

ENTERTAINMENT

Emma Stone not in rush to get engaged



Actress Emma Stone

LOS ANGELES, 8 Nov — Actress Emma Stone has no plans to formalise her relationship with boyfriend Andrew Garfield anytime soon. The couple met on the set of *The Amazing Spiderman*.

“There’s no rush to get engaged. They are both young and ambitious,” *usmagazine.com* quoted a source close to Stone as saying. The 23-year-old was spotted enjoying several dates with her Garfield, 29, of more than a year here recently. They attended a *Cirque du Soleil* performance 16 Oct and also caught a screening of *Paranormal Activity 4* together 21 October.

“They just love spending time together. They are absolutely adorable together. They both seem to have their heads on straight... They are the most normal couple I have seen,” said a source.

For a long time, the couple refused to confirm their relationship for privacy reasons. —PTI



Members of the pop group S.H.E. react during a solo concert to acknowledge fans and to promote their new album in Taipei, southeast China’s Taiwan, on 4 Nov, 2012. XINHUA

Anderson Silva in Hollywood film role

RIO DE JANEIRO, 8 Nov — Brazil’s Ultimate Fighting middleweight champion Anderson Silva is set to star alongside Steven Seagal in a new Hollywood film.

Silva will fly to Los Angeles this week to begin shooting the first scenes for the feature-length film, which is yet to be titled, Brazilian daily *O Globo* reported on Sunday.

“I am very excited about this new opportunity,” said Silva, who was the central figure in the 2011 documentary “Like Water” which recounts Silva’s rise from poverty to world dominance in mixed martial arts.

The 37-year-old said he had already embarked on a training program specifically tailored for the big-screen role.

Silva, who defended his UFC middleweight belt in July by stopping American Chael Sonnen in the first round, already has acting credits to his name, having appeared in the films “Jogo Mortal” and “Hell’s Chain”. — Xinhua

“Wreck-It Ralph” hammers box office, sails over “Flight”

LOS ANGELES, 8 Nov — “Wreck-It Ralph,” Disney’s animated film about a videogame character who destroys everything in his path, scored the highest-grossing opening weekend in Disney animation history with \$49.1 million, as box office attendance picked up in the aftermath of superstorm Sandy.

The tally for “Wreck-It Ralph,” which features the voices of John C Reilly and Jane Lynch, hammered the Denzel Washington film “Flight,” which generated ticket sales of \$25 million at US and Canadian theaters, according to studio estimates on Sunday. After a quiet box office last weekend with the US East Coast preparing

for superstorm Sandy, there was a jump in movie attendance this week in areas hit by the storm.

Dave Hollis, executive vice president of film distribution at Walt Disney Studios, told *Reuters* that movie attendance in affected areas was “very healthy,” boosted by school closures on Friday, which saw a bounce in matinee showings. “In a nice way, ‘Wreck-It Ralph,’ in areas affected by the storm, ended up actually becoming an opportunity to relieve yourself from the reality that might be going on around you, we saw the theater business around areas affected by the storm very healthy,” Hollis said.



Actor Will Ferrell (L) and cast member John C Reilly attend the premiere of the animated film “Wreck-It Ralph” in Los Angeles on 29 Oct, 2012. — REUTERS

“The storm and its impact—I don’t know if it was a function of cabin fever or just escaping by getting into a movie theater, but there was definitely a gravitating-towards-the-theater phenomenon.” Disney had

developed “Wreck-It Ralph” for more than a decade and spent an estimated \$165 million to produce the film, which featured cameo appearances by a Pac-Man ghost and Mentos candy.

Reuters

I want to play villain in Bond film: Roger Moore

LONDON, 8 Nov — After playing secret agent James Bond for 12 years, actor Roger Moore says now he wants to play a villain in the spy franchise.

The 85-year-old actor, who was 007 from 1973 to 1985, thinks he could be the spy’s perfect nemesis, reported *Sun* online.

“I’d love to be the villain. The villains have much better lines and wonderful speeches. And it certainly occurred to me I would make a reasonable ‘M’, because he didn’t move around that much,” he said.

Roger Moore said that he is worried about increased levels of violence in recent Bond films. “I thought there was a little too much murder and mayhem, with all these men being shot, blown-up and falling off the side of cliffs. It was not really what



Roger Moore

I thought we were doing.”

“But I suppose it was keeping up with the times and violent films were out and about. I personally enjoyed the one-liner. I think it is rather wonderful to be part of that legacy,” he added.

PTI

Kalki Koechlin would love to be curvy as Huma Qureshi

MUMBAI, 8 Nov — She has a slim and trim frame, but actress Kalki Koechlin says she would love to have a “voluptuous” figure like Luv Shuv Tey Chicken Khurana actress Huma Qureshi. “I don’t care for the ‘zero’ label, I really think people come in all shapes and sizes. I have been skinny all my life. My dream is to have a body like Huma Qureshi, voluptuous! I think she is really sexy,” said the 29-year-old.

“But I wouldn’t have that body and she wouldn’t have mine because we are born with certain type of body. So, you got to love what you got,” she added. Kalki spoke on the sidelines of the launch of *Women’s Health* magazine here Saturday. The magazine cover features Kalki, whose husband Anurag Kashyap has produced Huma’s latest film *Luv Shuv Tey Chicken Khurana*. —PTI



Kalki will soon be seen in Karan Johar’s *Yeh Jawaani Hai Deewani*. —PTI

Justin Bieber wants to be a movie star

LONDON, 8 Nov — He is one of the biggest pop stars at the age of 18 but Justin Bieber is now keen to try his luck in acting.

The Beauty and a Beat singer said he is looking at scripts and is interested in trying out action and comedy roles, reported *Showbiz* spy.

“I have a few offers after my tour is done. I’m pretty excited, I want to do comedy stuff and some action but I don’t know what exactly. I am a joke star and I am good at it,” he said. The singer, however, has no plans to give up his successful music career. “I won’t stop making music. I would love to do a song with Stevie Wonder and a duet with Quincy Jones would be crazy,” he added. — PTI

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Delta Monica Duca (L), 26, receives the title of Miss Universe Romania from Larisa Popa, winner of last year, at a ceremony held in Bucharest, capital of Romania, on 4 Nov, 2012. —XINHUA

## Former Liverpool defender **Soccer** Bayern humiliates Lille 6-1 in UEFA Champions League

### Aurelio returns from injury

RIO DE JANEIRO, 8 Nov—Former Liverpool and Valencia defender Fabio Aurelio has returned to training with



Former Liverpool and Valencia defender Fabio Aurelio

Alegre club. In his first appearance on the Estadio Olimpico pitch for more than four months, Aurelio completed light running and walking exercises on Wednesday. "Very soon he is going to be playing again," Gremio's fitness trainer Antonio Mello said. "He is still under the supervision of the physiotherapy department. His first exercises are designed to bring back his balance and coordination." Aurelio, who played 87 matches for Liverpool and 96 for Valencia, is expected to be fit to play again in January.

Xinhua

Brazil's Gremio after recovering from a serious knee injury.

The 33-year-old underwent surgery in July to repair a torn anterior cruciate ligament in his right knee, suffered just days before his expected debut for the Porto

## United States to face Mexico in World Cup qualifier in March

MIAMI, 8 Nov — The United States will face arch-rivals Mexico away from home in the third game of the final round of CONCACAF World Cup qualifying following a draw held on Wednesday.

After the six countries involved in the 'hexagonal round' were unable to agree on the schedule of games, CONCACAF held a draw for the fixtures and the highly anticipated clash between the region's two powerhouses, almost certainly to be held at the Azteca stadium in Mexico City, will be played on 26 March.

The US beat Mexico at the Azteca for the first time in a friendly match in August, having failed in the previous 24 attempts.

US coach Juergen Klinsmann, however, said he knew it would be a very different occasion in front of a packed and passionate crowd, expected to be close to 100,000. "A World Cup qualifier is always different to a friendly game, there is no doubt about that but it was a good feeling to win for the first ever time at Azteca," he told reporters.

Reuters

## Federer receives Fans' Favourite and the Sportsmanship awards

LONDON, 8 Nov — Roger Federer, the six-time titlist at the ATP World Tour Finals, received two 2012 ATP World Tour Awards here on Wednesday.

ATP Executive Chairman and President Brad Drewett presented the Swiss superstar with the awards for Fans' Favourite for a record 10th straight year and the Stefan Edberg Sportsmanship Award for the eighth time and second year in a row.

"Stefan Edberg was my idol growing up. He was a great inspiration for me," said Federer. "I always tried to play according to the rules and be respectful to my fellow competitors. A lot of other players totally deserve this award; it's a great pleasure to win it.

On receiving recognition from the fans, Federer commented, "It's incredible. I got this award for the first time in 2003, the year I won Wimbledon, and every year since. It

keeps me motivated and inspires me. It makes travelling so much easier. I hope I'll see you supporting tennis and me in the future. I couldn't thank you enough."

Federer plays David Ferrer, a winner of an ATP World Tour-best seven titles in 2012, on Thursday afternoon in a Group B round-robin clash.—Xinhua



Roger Federer

## Djokovic fights back to beat Murray at Tour Finals

### Tennis

LONDON, 8 Nov — Novak Djokovic squeezed past Britain's Andy Murray in the latest chapter of their evolving rivalry on Wednesday but ended the day still uncertain of place in the last four at the ATP World Tour Finals after Tomas Berdych overpowered Jo-Wilfried Tsonga.

Once again there was

barely a cigarette paper between the two 25-year-olds as Djokovic chiseled out a 4-6, 6-3, 7-5 victory to take command of Group A at the season-ending showdown.

Victory for Tsonga later against Berdych would have guaranteed Djokovic a top-two finish in the group and progress to the semis but Berdych's 7-5, 3-6

, 6-1 victory means all four players, even winless Tsonga, could still qualify.

Djokovic, who has two wins from two matches, faces Berdych on Friday when victory would guarantee top spot in the group. Murray, who like Berdych has one win, plays Tsonga knowing a straight-sets victory would clinch a semi-final spot. "I don't like mathematics," fifth seed Berdych told reporters when asked about the various scenarios that could unfold when the group concludes on Friday.

"Tennis is not like football when you can play for a draw in the match. It's one or the other, that's it." The last thing on the minds of Djokovic and Murray earlier were sets percentages and games countbacks as they set about each other with the sort of relish that marks out their duels as "must see" matches.—Reuters



Serbia's Novak Djokovic hits a return to Britain's Andy Murray during their men's singles tennis match at the ATP World Tour Finals in the O2 Arena in London on 7 Nov, 2012. — REUTERS

BERLIN, 8 Nov — Bayern Munich crushed Lille 6-1 as Claudio Pizarro donated a hat rick to ensure the German champions' third win in group F at outsold Allianz Arena in UEFA Champions League on Wednesday. The "Bavarians" made short work of harmless Lille to establish a 5-0 advantage before the break. Bayern Munich staged a bright start as Bastian Schweinsteiger curled a dead ball from 22 metres over the wall into top left with five minutes into the match.

The host gave Lille no peace as Claudio Pizarro doubled the lead at the 18th minute when he utilized a combination with Franck Ribery. Lille remained over-challenged with the performance by the Germans, thus Arjen Robben tripled the lead when he slotted a deflected dead ball goal from central position.

Relentless Bayern Munich were not done with the scoring as Pizarro added another two goals, to make it 5-0 on the scoreboards, before the break owing to the neat crosses by Philipp Lahm. At the second half the visitors showed a vital sign when Salomon Kalou was able to score the consolation with a powerful effort at the 58th minute.

Finally, Bayern Toni Kroos rounded off the goal spree over Lille when he exploited a diagonal pass by Lahm to net the 6-1 lead with 66 minutes on the clock. The German record champions sit on second position of group F, behind Valencia and followed by Borisov and Lille. "We staged great passing and scored beautiful goals, including two direct free kick goals. However, Lille was not the very first class," Bayern Munich coach Jupp Heynckes said.—Xinhua



Chelsea's Gary Cahill (Top) vies with Luiz Adriano of Shakhtar Donetsk during their UEFA Champions League Group E match in London, Britain, on 7 Nov, 2012. Chelsea won 3-2.—XINHUA

## Juventus score first win in Champions League this season

### Soccer

TURIN, 8 Nov — Juventus registered their first win in the Champions League this season after they beat Nordsjaelland 4-0 at home on Wednesday. Thanks to first-half strikes from Claudio Marchisio, Arturo Vidal and Sebastian Giovinco, and a second-half header from Fabio Quagliarella, the Serie A leaders finally tasted victory after nine successive draws in the Champions League. Juventus assistant coach Angelo Alessio praised his side for their return to form and looked ahead to the showdown with Chelsea.

The Bianconeri remain third in Group E after the win over Nordsjaelland, but

just one point behind joint leaders Chelsea and Shakhtar Donetsk. "Of course we absolutely have to beat Chelsea at home in the next game and earn our place in the next round.

We wanted great intensity and the lads had the right anger and determination for this type of performance," he said. "We created a great deal, as on top of the four goals we could've had a few more. We brought back that pressing on the ball in every area of the field and the style of football we needed," he said.

Reuters

## Murray shows time must be served in modern game



Britain's Andy Murray reacts after losing a point to Serbia's Novak Djokovic during their men's singles tennis match at the ATP World Tour Finals in the O2 Arena in London on 7 Nov, 2012. — REUTERS

MIAMI, 8 Nov — Former world number one Andy Roddick believes the days when players captured grand slam titles in their teens are over and that Britain's Andy Murray has shown that years of hard graft need to be put

in to achieve success in the modern era. Roddick, who retired from the sport in September shortly after his 30th birthday, believes that the current generation's supreme fitness has made it hard for players to compete in their thirties and this has also made winning a slam young almost impossible.

"Boris Becker won when he was 17, Rafa (Nadal) won when he was 19, I won when I was 21 and now there is not a teenager in the top 100 at the moment because you aren't strong enough at that point in your career," Roddick, the last American man to win a slam at the 2003 US Open, told Reuters in an interview. "The game has got more physical and the schedule has got longer. It's a really difficult sport physically and mentally," he said.—Reuters

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Focus Myanmar TV Programme

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- \* News
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- \* News
- \* "Myanmar Movies Impact" Let's gather around to be happy
- \* News
- \* Workshop on Privatization (Part-I)
- \* News
- \* Workshop on Privatization (Part-II)
- \* News
- \* Save The Children Race

- for Survival
- \* Hiker's Journey (YangonCity)(Episode-8)
- \* News
- \* NewPurchaseforSystem for New Car Show in Yangon Expo 2012
- \* News
- \* Yangon-Mandalay Union Highway (Part-II)
- \* News
- \* Semi Final Contest of Mr & Ms Taw Win
- \* Myanmar Movie "Never Lie to Your Heart"

MYANMAR TV (9-11-2012, Friday)

- 7:00 am 1. Paritta By Hilly Region Missionary Sayadaw
- 7:25 am 2. To Be Healthy Exercise
- 7:50 am 3. Nice & Sweet Song
- 8:00 am 4. Health Programme
- 8:10 am 5. The Mirror Images of The Musical Oldies
- 8:25 am 6. Documentary
- 8:40 am 7. International News
- 4:05 pm 8. Musical Programme
- 4:20 pm 9. Song of National Races
- 4:25 pm 10. Song Of Yester Years

- 4:40 pm 11. University of Distance Education (TV Lectures) - Second Year (Economic)
- 4:55 pm 12. Songs For Upholding National Spirit
- 5:00 pm 13. Myanmar League
- 5:20 pm 14. Sports Highlight
- 5:30 pm 15. India Drama Series
- 6:20 pm 16. Internet Garden
- 7:00 pm 17. TV Drama Series
- 8:00 pm 18. News
- 19. International News
- 20. TV Drama Series

Myanmar's eel on high demand

NAY PYI TAW, 8 Nov— The international market demand for Myanmar's eel is increasing, reported Myanmar Alinn citing an official at 6 November Fishery Federation. The estimated income from eel export for 2012-2013 fiscal year is US\$ 35 million, which was surpassed with US\$ 40 million income. China, Japan, South Korea and Singapore are major eel importers.

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Mexico's Minister of Finance and Public Credit Antonio Meade (R) and Mexico's Central Bank Governor Agustín Carstens pose for a photo during a Press conference after the G20 Finance Ministers' and Central Bank Governors' Meeting, in Mexico City, capital of Mexico, on 5 Nov, 2012.

XINHUA

Oil tumbles on fiscal cliff fears, European debt

NEW YORK, 8 Nov— Crude prices tumbled Wednesday on fears of "fiscal cliff" in the US and worsening European debt problems. President Mario Draghi Wednesday said the debt crisis is starting to hurt Germany. Investors worried that the region's situation will get worse in the near term.

US financial markets plunged Wednesday, with equities falling broadly as investors shifted focus to looming "fiscal cliff" in US and euro zone crisis after US election.

After Barack Obama was reelected as US president on Tuesday, investors came back to concerns over the "fiscal cliff", caused by the 600-billion-US-dollar tax increases and government spending cuts that would automatically kick in on 1 Jan.

Economists and business CEOs have been warning that "fiscal cliff" could trigger a recession, which cast shadow over the market. Ratings agency Fitch also urged Obama to move quickly to avoid the "fiscal cliff."

Meanwhile, the market sentiment was heavily pressured by the coming capital tax hikes which was on Obama's agenda.

To add to pressure, European Central Bank

Large scale of protests continued in Greece after the debt-ridden country's parliament voted on an austerity plan Wednesday. Approval of the plan would help the country secure the 31.5 billion euro bailout fund from international lenders and its presence in the euro zone.

US oil inventory data, which showed a 1.8-million-barrel build last week despite the massive disruptions caused by Hurricane Sandy on the East Coast, adding to bearish sentiment. The Energy Information Administration's report also registered a weekly increase of 2.9 million barrels for gasoline inventories. Light, sweet crude for December delivery lost 4.27 dollars, or 4.81 percent, to settle at 84.44 dollars a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange. Brent crude for December delivery plunged 4.15 dollars to 106.92 dollars a barrel.—Xinhua

Two shippers to use waiver to ship fuel to Northeast

US

WASHINGTON, 8 Nov — Two companies have told the United States they intend to take advantage of a waiver allowing foreign-flagged ships to take oil products and additives from the US Gulf to the Northeast to help relieve a fuel crunch after Hurricane Sandy, a government source said.

The Department of Homeland Security issued a rare blanket waiver of the 1920 Jones Act on Friday. At

the time, only one company had indicated it wanted to ship fuel to the Northeast on a foreign ship.

"As of today, two companies have notified MARAD of their intent to use the waiver to transport petroleum products and fuel additives from the Gulf to the Northeast to ensure it has the fuel needed to proceed with recovery efforts," the source said. The Department of Transportation's Maritime

Administration is also known as MARAD.

The number of shippers could rise as companies do not have to tell the government they intend to ship oil to the Northeast until 24 hours after loading in the Gulf of Mexico, the source said.

The waiver allows foreign-flagged ships to load oil products from the Gulf of Mexico until 13 November and deliver it to ports in the

Northeast by 20 November.

The source, who would only talk on the condition of anonymity, would not say which companies intended to use the waiver. The Jones Act, part of the 1920 Merchant Marine Act, was created to support domestic jobs in the shipping industry. It requires goods moved between US ports to be carried by ships built domestically and staffed by US crews.—Reuters

Prosecutors seek death for US soldier charged in Afghan rampage

TACOMA, 8 Nov— Washington Military prosecutors said on Monday they would seek the death penalty for a US soldier accused of killing 16 Afghan villagers when he ventured out of his camp on two

revenge-fueled drunken forays earlier this year.

The lead prosecutor, Lieutenant Colonel Jay Morse, told a preliminary hearing he would present evidence proving "chilling premeditation" on the part

of Staff Sergeant Robert Bales, a decorated veteran of four combat tours in Iraq and Afghanistan.

The shootings of mostly women and children in Afghanistan's Kandahar Province in March marked

the worst case of civilian slaughter blamed on an individual US soldier since the Vietnam War and eroded already strained US-Afghan ties after more than a decade of conflict in the country.

Bales faces 16 counts of premeditated murder and six counts of attempted murder as well as charges of assault and wrongfully possessing and using steroids and alcohol while deployed.

Morse said he was submitting a "capital referral" in the case, requesting that Bales be executed if convicted.

The hearing at Joint Base Lewis-McChord in Washington state was expected to last two weeks and include witness testimony from Afghanistan carried by live video, including testimony from villagers and Afghan soldiers.

At the end, military commanders will decide whether there is sufficient evidence for Bales to stand trial by court-martial.

Reuters



Students attend class on the makeshift campus of the Guoquanyan Elementary School in the earthquake-affected Yiliang County, southwest China's Yunnan Province, on 5 Nov, 2012. Classes have resumed at Yiliang's Guoquanyan Elementary School after a magnitude 5.7 earthquake damaged the school campus in September. Students will study in six makeshift classrooms before a new campus is finished by next June.—XINHUA

## Pyidaungsu Hluttaw approves change of two ministries' names



Pyidaungsu Hluttaw session in progress.

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NAY PYI TAW, 8 Nov—Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Session continued for fourth day at Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Hall of Hluttaw Complex, here, at 10 am today, attended by Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Speaker U Khin Aung Myint, Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker Thura U Shwe Mann and 592 representatives.

At today's session, member of Joint Bill Committee U Thein Tun Oo submitted Joint Bill Committee's findings and remarks on Pyithu Hluttaw Bill (2012) that is sent back along with President's comments and member U Tin Yu, Joint Bill Committee's findings and remarks on Amyotha Hluttaw Bill

(2012).

After that, the Speaker announced that the message on changing the name of the union ministries sent by the President to Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Speaker with the letter No.107 (2)/8/President Office dated 1-11-2012. And there was no objection to the message. Hluttaw agreed to change Ministry of Communications, Posts and Telegraphs into Ministry of Communications and Information Technology and Ministry of Labour and Employment into Ministry of Labour, Employment and Social Security.

Afterwards, Deputy



Joint Bill Committee Member U Thein Win participates in the discussion.

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Minister for Finance and Revenue Dr Lin Aung discussed President's message on additional loan of K 430.395 billion as revolving fund to

State-owned economic organizations in 2012-2013 financial year. Joint Bill Committee member U Thein Win submitted Committee's findings and report on it.

After that, Deputy Minister for National Planning and Economic Development Dr Daw Khin San Yi explained two representatives' discussion on National Planning project

on Union Budget report for 2012-2013 (from April to June) sent by the Union Government. The Speaker announced that the report was put on record.

Hluttaw sought the approval for the message on the changing of cash account heading of Ministry of Construction. As there is no objection to it, Hluttaw announced that remain

Deputy Minister for Finance and Revenue Dr Lin Aung making clarification.

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report for 2012-2013 (from April to June) sent by the Union Government. The Speaker announced that the report was put on record.

Deputy Minister for Finance and Revenue Dr Lin Aung explained one representative's discussion

cash amount of K 1427.400 million in allowance capital expenditures (machinery) for 2012-2013 financial year can be used under the other cash account heading. The meeting came to an end at 11.30 am.

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### Water level forecast for second 10-day of November 2012

NAY PYI TAW, 8 Nov—The water levels of Ayeyawady river are forecast to fall below the present water levels by 30 cm (about 1 foot) at Myitkyina, Bhamo and Katha 45 cm (about 1.5 feet) at Mandalay, Sagaing, Pakokku, Nyaung U and Chauk and 75 cm (about 2.5 feet) at Minbu, Magway, Aunglan, Pyay, Seiktha,

Hinthada and Zalun.

The water levels of Chindwin river are forecast to fall below the present water levels by 45 cm (about 1.5 feet) at Hkamti and Homalin and 75 cm (about 2.5 feet) at Mawlaik, Kalewa and Monywa, announced by Meteorology and Hydrology Department.

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### Weather Forecast for Second Dekad of November, 2012

**Bay of Bengal Condition**  
A Low Pressure Area may form over South Bay of Bengal and may further intensify into a depression. Weather will be partly cloudy to cloudy in the Andaman Sea and South Bay of Bengal and partly cloudy elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

remaining regions and states.

Rainy days are expected about 2 to 4 days in Bago and Yangon Regions, Kachin and Kayah States, and about 5 to 7 days in the remaining Regions and States.

**Rainfall and Rainy day Forecast**

Rain will be below normal in Bago and Yangon Regions, Kachin and Kayah States and about normal in the

**Night Temperature**

Night Temperature will be above normal in Upper Sagaing, Mandalay and Magway Regions, Kayah and Kayin States and about normal in the remaining regions and states.

### UK needs 330 billion pounds energy investments by 2030 - LSE

LONDON, 8 Nov—Britain will need to invest 330 billion pounds in its energy sector, excluding networks, by 2030 and return its economy to growth to meet carbon emissions reduction targets, the London School of Economics said in a report on Thursday.

Britain aims to cut carbon emissions by 34 percent below 1990 levels by 2020 and by 80 percent by 2050, but does not have a binding target for 2030.

The investments are needed to build new power plants, retrofit existing ones with carbon-reduction technology and to limit energy

### IWT invites investment from private sector

YANGON, 8 Nov—The Inland Water Transport under the Ministry of Transport organized a press conference to invite private investment in transportation of passengers and cargo. The IWT managing director gave a speech about private investment at the press conference held at Ahlon Dockyard in Ahlon

Township here yesterday afternoon.

General Manager U Maung Maung Lwin explained history and functions of IWT and future programmes for private participation. The managing director replied to queries of businessmen and media persons present on the occasion.—MNA

demand.

"The key question will be how do we attract pension funds, which are one source of capital, and generally the financial sector, being banks and insurance companies, to join the market?" said Volker Beckers, chief executive of RWE npower, which commissioned the report.

He said only around 30-40 percent of the investment can be covered by balance sheets and project finance of British energy companies, leaving the lion's share of money needed to other investors. Experts have forecast Britain's energy investments at 200 billion pounds until 2020.

Reuters

