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Four political objectives

* Stability of the State, community peace and tranquillity, prevalence of law and order
* National reconsolidation
* Emergence of a new enduring State Constitution
* Building of a new modern developed nation in accord with the new State Constitution

Four economic objectives

* Development of agriculture as the base and all-round development of other sectors of the economy as well
* Proper evolution of the market-oriented economic system
* Development of the economy inviting participation in terms of technical know-how and investments from sources inside the country and abroad
* The initiative to shape the national economy must be kept in the hands of the State and the national peoples

Four social objectives

* Uplift of the morale and morality of the entire nation
* Uplift of national prestige and integrity and preservation and safeguarding of cultural heritage and national character
* Uplift of dynamism of patriotic spirit
* Uplift of health, fitness and education standards of the entire nation

Applications for registration of political party submitted

NAY PYI TAW, 23 July — Parties that have been granted permission to form as political parties are submitting applications for registration of political party to the Union Election Commission. The Unity and Democracy Party of Kachin State (UDPKS) submitted its application to register as a political party to the commission today.

Up to date, there are 45 parties that submitted applications to form and to continue existence as political parties. Thirty-nine of 40 parties that submitted applications for registration of political party have been granted permission to register as political parties, and the remaining parties are under scrutiny.—MNA

True patriotism

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

Aviation, waterway transport serving future interests of State, people

Article: Ko Thitsar: Photos: Myanma Alin

After reading Myanma Alin and Kyemon dailies, I was thoughtful. I have read news about registration and forming of political parties appeared in the dailies. Myanmar will be going to the new system. Whenever a period or a system changes, the images of the State also change. I had witnessed political situation of the State in 1988. At that time, I was around 20 years old. Therefore, I noted and remembered the situation of the State then to certain degree. While I was stretching out my mind after reading the newspapers, Uncle Hla, my discussion partner, arrived my home.

Uncle Hla: What are you thinking about? Newspapers are in front you.

I: Yes, Uncle. While studying progress of all sectors presented by the newspapers, I am thinking about the condition in 1988 in comparison with the current progress. As you have much experience of the past and the present, please share your experience with me.

Uncle Hla: I am satisfied with sector-wise progress of the State. In the transport sector in which I had discharged duties, remarkable progress can be seen. In the aviation of the Transport sector, the country had 66 airports before 1988. Although it was a list of airports meant for taking off and landing, actually large aircraft could not use most of them. At that time, the major airports for large

Photo shows Mandalay International Airport that handles international flights.

Photo shows Sittway Airport where domestic flights are scheduled for convenience of flight passengers.

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New roads and bridges for better transport in Ayeyawady Division

Southern region of the Delta in Ayeyawady Division is teeming with rivers, creeks and lakes. The region is blessed with fertile soil and natural resources, producing paddy, beans and pulses, meat, fish, salt and marine products. Hence, the region achieves food sufficiency with surplus products and contributes a lot to food sufficiency of the regional countries.

At present, transport infrastructures are being upgraded in the division. As seven new motor roads and some old roads have been upgraded, the road network of the Delta with the length of over 400 miles has emerged in the region.

Yazudaing Bridge No. 1 was inaugurated in Mawlamyinegyun Township on 22 July 2010. With the aim of ensuring convenient transport in Mawlamyinegyun Township, both banks of Yazudaing River were linked with two Yazudaing bridges in upgrading Maubin-Yaylegale-Shwetaunghmaw-Kyaikpi road. Yazudaing Bridge No. 2 was opened in early 2010. Yazudaing Bridge No. 1 located on the main roads of Mawlamyinegyun creates better transport for various regions. Therefore, agricultural produces, meat and fish can be transported to all parts of the nation.

Nowadays, new motor roads are under construction in Ayeyawady Division. Linking Pathein-Kyangin railroad, the new routes—Kyangin-Pakokku railroad, Pathein (Begarat)-Nyaungdon-Yangon (Hlinethaya) railroad and Hinthada-Danubyu-Sakkawt (Nyaungdon) railroad—are also under construction.

The residents of Ayeyawady Division can use railroads and motor roads in addition to water courses for their travelling. Due to sound foundations in the transport sector, paddy, meat and fish can be transported to other States and Divisions smoothly. That is why Ayeyawady Division becomes the most developed region of the Union.
Three killed, 15 wounded in rocket attack in Baghdad’s Green Zone

BAGHDAD, 23 July—A rocket landed on the Green Zone of Baghdad on Thursday, killing three foreign guards and wounding 15 others, the local police source and US embassy said.

The three dead included two Ugandans and a Peruvian who worked for a US security contractor hired to protect the US government facilities in Iraq, the US embassy said in a statement, adding 15 more people were also wounded in the attack. A local police source without giving his name said that the blast site was not far away from the US embassy.

The Green Zone, which houses some of the Iraqi government offices and US embassy, has been frequently targeted by militants mortar and rocket attacks. The roughly 10 square km zone is located on the west bank of the Tigris River which bisects the Iraqi capital. Recent spike of bombings and waves of violence are still ravaging the Iraqi cities, including the capital, more than four months after the country held its parliamentary elections on 7 March, raising fears of a return to violence.—Xinhua

Traffic accident kills at least 20 in Bolivia

LA PAZ, 23 July—At least 20 people were killed and one was injured in a road accident on Thursday in western department of La Paz, police said.

A truck with 25 people onboard plunged into a 250-metre-deep ravine when it was traveling on a mountain road.

A 9-year-old girl survived as she dropped out of the falling truck and was miraculously trapped in the bush.

A police officer said until 20:00 local time (0000 GMT Friday) only 18 bodies had been recovered as the site was very steep.

It was likely that the driver fell asleep, which caused the truck to plunged off a cliff with a depth of up to 300 metres in some places, police said.

Road accidents are common in Bolivia, South America’s poorest country, where driving conditions are often precarious.—Xinhua

Mine blast kills one, injures five in Peru

LIMA, 23 July—An explosion in a mine in south Peru killed one miner and injured five others, police said on Thursday.

The accident occurred on Wednesday night at the Cerro Lindo mine in Ica department, 270 km south of Lima.

According to local press, the miners were poisoned by toxic gases produced by the explosion.

In 2009 President Alan Garcia called the mine, which has been operating since 2007, as one of the modernest in the world for using desalted sea water. Cerro Lindo has an annual production of 146,000 tons of zinc, 14,800 tons of lead and 39,500 tons of copper.—Xinhua

Three killed, five injured in traffic accident in NW Malaysia

KUALA LUMPUR, 23 July— Three women were killed and five others injured when a multi-purpose vehicle (MPV) crashed into a ravine at a main highway in northwestern Malaysia state of Perak, on Thursday morning.

A police spokesman told a press conference on Thursday that the MPV with 8 passengers inside crashed into a metal barrier and plunged 30 metres into a ravine around 10:30 am at Km 301 the North-South Expressway near Ipoh, the capital city of Perak. Three women died on the spot while five others suffering injuries had been sent to a nearby hospital for treatment, he said.—Xinhua

NATO chopper crashes, two soldiers killed in S Afghanistan

KABUL, 23 July—Two soldiers of the NATO-led forces lost their lives as a helicopter crashed in south Afghanistan on Thursday, a press release of the alliance said. However, it did not mention the exact place and the cause of the crash, saying investigation is under-way.

Meantime, a Taleban spokesman Qari Yusuf Ahmad said in talks with media via cellular phone claimed of responsibility, stressing six foreign soldiers were killed in the incident. He also said that Taleban shot down the helicopter by a rocket propelled grenade in Helmand province.

On the other hand, Daud Ahmad, the spokesman for Helmand’s provincial administration in south Afghanistan told Xinhua that the chopper crashed outside Helmand’s provincial capital Lashkar Gah at around 03:00 pm local time. He did not comment on casualties.—Xinhua

Key ships ordered to leave spill site before storm

ON THE GULF OF MEXICO, 23 July—Key ships stationed over BP’s crippled well in the Gulf of Mexico were ordered to evacuate on Thursday ahead of Tropical Storm Bonnie, and engineers have grown so confident in the leaky cap fixed to the well head that they will leave it closed while they are gone.

Tropical Storm Bonnie, which blossomed over the Bahamas and was to enter the Gulf of Mexico by the weekend, could delay by another 12 days the push to plug the broken well for good using mud and cement, retired Coast Guard Adm. Thad Allen and BP officials conceded. Even if it’s not a direct hit, the rough weather will push back efforts to kill the well by at least a week.

“While this is not a hurricane, it’s a storm that will have probably some significant impacts, we’re taking appropriate caution,” Allen said in Mobile, Ala.

Allen issued the order Thursday night to begin moving dozens of vessels from the spill site, including the rig that’s drilling the relief tunnel engineers will use to permanently throttle the free-flowing crude near the bottom of the well. Some vessels could stay on site, he said.—Xinhua

US soldier, two civilians killed in Iraq’s violence

BAGHDAD, 23 July—A US soldier and two Iraqi civilians were killed while four were injured in violence in Iraq’s eastern Diyala Province and northern Nineveh Province, Iraqi police and US military said on Thursday.

A US military statement said that one of its soldiers was killed in a bomb explosion near his vehicle on Wednesday in Diyala. The latest death brings the number of US soldiers who have been killed in Iraq to about 4,413, since the breakout of the US-led war on Iraq in 2003, according to media account based on Pentagon figures. On Thursday, a civilian was killed when unidentified gunmen opened fire on a police patrol in the Ghazi Street in central Nineveh’s capital Mosul, some 400 km north of Baghdad, a source from Nineveh’s opera-tion command told Xinhua on condition of anonymity. A policeman and a female bystander were also wounded by the attack, the source said.—Xinhua

An Iranian girl shakes hands with a German puppet during the 13th Tehran International Puppet Theater Festival in Tehran, capital of Iran, on 22 July, 2010.—Xinhua

The photo taken on 21 July, 2010 shows that engineers work in the control room of the Three Gorges left-bank hydro power plant in Yichang, central China’s Hubei Province.—Xinhua

Vessels gather at the Deepwater Horizon oil spill site over the Gulf of Mexico, off the Louisiana coast, on 20 July, 2010.—INTERNET

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‘Pristine’ Earth impact crater discovered

CAIRO, 23 July—Scientists say a meteoric impact crater found in the remote Egyptian desert may be the best-preserved ever found on Earth.

The Kamil crater is pristine, unlike most Earth impact sites that are partially or severely eroded, and maintains much of its structure, including the rays of ejected material thrown from the crater when the space rock hit, SPACE.com reported Thursday. “This crater is really a kind of beauty because it’s so well preserved that it will tell us a lot about small-scale meteorite impacts on the Earth’s crust,” Luigi Folco, meteorite curator at the Museo Nazionale dell’Antartide in Siena, Italy, said. “It’s so nice. It’s so neat. There is something extraordinary about it.”

Craters this well preserved are usually only seen on the moon or Mars, where there are fewer environmental and atmospheric processes to erode and eventually destroy them, he said. The 148-foot-wide crater was first spotted in Google Earth satellite photos by Italian researchers.—INTERNET

Virus writers are picking up new microsoft attack

WASHINGTON, 23 July—The Windows attack used by a recently discovered worm is being picked up by other virus writers and will soon become much more widespread, according to security vendor Eset. Eset reported on Thursday that two new families of malicious software have popped up, both of which exploit a vulnerability in the way Windows processes .link files, used to provide shortcuts to other files on the system.

The vulnerability was first exploited by the Stuxnet worm, discovered on computer systems in Iran last month. Highly sophisticated, Stuxnet targets systems running Siemens industrial control system management software. The worm steals SCADA (supervisory control and data acquisition) project files from Siemens’ computer systems.

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He said the touchscreen gadget was packed with Internet browsers, PDF reader and video conferencing facilities but its hardware was created with sufficient flexibility to incorporate new components according to user requirement.

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SALT LAKE CITY, 23 July — A University of Utah computer scientist says he’s devised a simpler method of “data mining,” extracting and analyzing massive amounts of such data.

“What you like it or not, Google, Facebook, Walmart and the government are building profiles of you, and these consist of hundreds of attributes describing you — your online searches, purchases, shared videos and recommendations to your Facebook friends,” Suresh Venkata-subramanian, an assistant professor of computer science, says in a statement released Thursday by the university.

He and his colleagues say they’ve improved traditional methods of searching through huge amounts of data by effectively “squashing” the data down to size with a computer programme.

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Can ozone cause heart attacks?

WASHINGTON, 23 July — A new animal study offers the first direct bit of evidence that ozone, a major component of smog, may trigger the death of heart cells.

In small early tests with rats, US researchers found that exposure to ground-level ozone over several weeks boosted the activity of tumor necrosis factor-alpha (TNF-A), an indication of inflammation. Increased TNF-A levels have been linked to a drop in levels of a heart-protective protein called Caveolin-1 (Cav1). This protein is believed to protect the heart by binding to a chemical called p38MAPK alpha, which is a known cell death signaling chemical. Levels of the heart-protective Cav1 protein decreased in the hearts of rats exposed to ozone compared to the hearts of rats who breathed filtered air.

“We believe the decreased levels of Cav1 make more unbound p38MAPK alpha available for telling the heart cells to die. That link between Cav1 and (ozone) has never been shown in the heart,” Rajat Sethi, an assistant professor in the pharmaceutical sciences department at Texas A&M Health Science Center’s college of pharmacy, said in an American Heart Association news release.

The study was to be presented Wednesday at an American Heart Association meeting in California. “Several studies have already shown that air pollution increases the risk of coronary arteriosclerosis and heart attack.”

UN Report predicts global FDI to exceed $1.2 trillion in 2010

ADDIS ABABA, 23 July — The United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) said on Thursday that global foreign direct investment (FDI) flows bottomed out in the later half 2009 and then achieved a modest recovery in the first half of this year.

UNCTAD launched the World Investment Report 2010 on Thursday at the UN-ECA here in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

The report said the global FDI flows are expected to pick up to over 1.2 trillion US dollars in 2010, rise further to over 1.3 trillion dollars in 2011, and head towards more than 1.6 trillion dollars in 2012.

Experts say early HIV diagnosis can reduce treatment cost

VIENNA, 23 July — A panel of experts from Austria have suggested that people should be tested for HIV in young or middle ages so that HIV infection can be early detected, thereby lowering the treatment cost.

The panel consists of experts from the Medical University of Vienna, Danube University Krems and the Vienna branch of US biopharmaceutical company GileadSciences.

It published a research report on Thursday, at the ongoing 18th International AIDS Conference in Vienna, saying that the late diagnosis of HIV infection costs about five times as much as the early diagnosis. According to statistics, about 10,000 HIV carriers currently live in Austria, of whom 25 percent were diagnosed after their immune systems against diseases had been severely damaged or accompanying diseases had appeared.
Police: Man shot wife with toilet paper

Irvin Pinnix, 38, loaded the pistol with toilet paper when his wife, Darlene Pinnix, 55, returned to their Reidsville home shortly after midnight Tuesday, WGHP-TV, High Point, NC, reported on Wednesday. Investigators said the wife lay down on the bed and Lonnie Pinnix shot her in the back with the toilet paper ammunition when she refused his demands to get back up. Deputies said Darlene Pinnix was taken to a hospital to receive treatment for powder burns. Lonnie Pinnix told deputies he shot his wife because she wouldn’t leave, the report said. He was charged with assault with a deadly weapon and jailed in lieu of $1,000 bond. — Internet

Five dead in fire, three had throats cut

NEW YORK, 23 July—Three of the five people found dead Thursday after a fire raced through their Staten Island, NY, apartment had their throats slashed, officials said. The five victims were identified as Leisa Jones and her two sons and two daughters, The New York Times reported. Investigators say the oldest child, a 14-year-old son named CJ, slashed the throats of his two sisters — Britany, 10, and Melony, 7 — before starting the fire and then slashing his own throat. Their 2-year-old son named CJ, slashed the throats of his two sisters — Britany, 10, and Melony, 7 — before starting the fire and then slashing his own throat. Their 2-year-old brother Jermaine Sinclair, also died but his throat was not cut.

Police spokesman Paul Browne said a straight razor was found under CJ’s arm. A fire department official said the blaze had been set intentionally. There did not seem to be any smoke detectors in the second-floor apartment, fire officials said. The fire gutted much of the home, but the other residents of the building all escaped, the newspaper said.

Miss America returning to Planet Hollywood

LINWOOD, 23 July— The 2011 Miss America Pageant is to return to Planet Hollywood Resort & Casino in Las Vegas, organizers said on Thursday. The 90th anniversary event is to take place 15 Jan and to air on ABC. The pageant traditionally took place in New Jersey, but has been held in Las Vegas since 2006.

“We think it is only fitting that 53 of the most beautiful and talented girls on the planet should be here at Planet Hollywood,” Robert Earl, chairman of Planet Hollywood Resort & Casino, said in a statement. “We are delighted to have the Miss America Pageant return to our resort and we look forward to showcasing all that this property and Las Vegas have to offer.”

“We are thrilled to be returning to Planet Hollywood as we mark our 90th anniversary,” Sam Haskell III, chairman of the Board for the Miss America Organization, said. “This year, we are so very proud to share this incredible event with our friends at Planet Hollywood and one of the finest entertainment venues of the world — Las Vegas.” — Internet

Sri Lanka on track for record tea crop

COLOMBO, 23 July—Sri Lanka, one of the world’s biggest black tea exporters, produced nearly 30 percent more tea in the first half of the year and is on track for a record crop, an official said on Friday.

Tea is Sri Lanka’s biggest cash crop and is sold in overseas markets as “Pure Ceylon Tea”. The industry suffered a setback last year due to a drought and fall-out from the global commodities crash of 2008.

But this year tea output for the six months to June rose 27.8 percent compared to the same period last year to 166.9 million kilos (367.18 million pounds), the Sri Lanka Tea Board said.

Favourable weather, better fertilizer use and an absence of labour unrest all helped, said the board’s director general, HD Hemaratne.

Strong demand from key buyers in Russia and the Middle East helped Sri Lankan tea exports earn 399 million dollars for the four months to April, compared to 300 million dollars earned in the same period in 2008.

Tea production in June 2010 alone was up 18 percent at 29.5 million kilos (64.9 million pounds) compared to the same month a year earlier, board figures showed.

“If things continue, our total crop is on track to exceed 320 million kilos (704 million pounds) this year,” Hemaratne said.
Nay Pyi Taw, 23 July—Minister for Information U Kyaw Hsan yesterday afternoon inspected wall posters at Hpa-an Township Information and Public Relations Department.

In meeting with IPRD officials of Kayin State, District and Hpa-an, Kawkareik, Myawady, Hlaingbwe, Paingkyon and Kamamoung townships, officials of Mawlamyine TV re-transmission station and Myanmar Motion Picture Enterprise, the minister heard reports on progress of works. Afterwards, the minister instructed them to organize the people to read books at libraries of IPRDs and self-reliant rural libraries, build self-reliant libraries including that of IPRDs meeting set standards, deliver one copy of every newspaper to all villages, publish one copy of Doh Kyawyaw journal to all villages through self-reliant system, cooperation system with local authorities and wellwishers, cover retransmission of TV programmes to surrounding areas and make preparations for construction of more TV re-transmission stations.

Yangon, 23 July — Buthigyin Village Basic Education Primary School in Natogyi Township of Myingyan District in Mandalay Division got a new RC-type school building. The school building was opened on 18 July at the hall of the new facility of school. Townhip Education Officer expressed gratitude and presented new building added to Buthigyin Village Primary School certificate of honour to donors of the building. U Aung Kyi and wife Daw Tin Hlaing and son U Thein Tun Aung (Managing Director) of Thithsan Academy Glass Factory and Myanmar Chancellor Construction in Shwepyitha Township, Yangon are donors of 90-ft long and 30-ft high one-storey building which costs K15 million. The wellwishers have donated the school building in Myoma Middle School of Natogyi Township in 2003 and in Kadaung Village Affiliated Middle School each and contributed over four thousand dozens of exercise books to schools in Natogyi Township from 2003 to 2008.

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Minister U Kyaw Hsan meets personnel of IPRDs, TV re-transmission stations, MMPE

New building added to Buthigyin Village Primary School

Public Announcement for Remonstration

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Flag of Unity and Democracy Party of Kachin State (UDPKS)

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Certified Advanced Survey course to be opened

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Aviation, waterway transport serving future interests of State, people

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Yangon International Airport with international standard facilities providing domestic and foreign flight services.

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Aircraft were only Yangon Mingaladon International Airport and Mandalay Chamayathazi Airport. However, it can be said that even the two airports did not have safety and standardized facilities for the international passenger aircraft at that time.

I: Then, did the aircraft of domestic and international airlines use these airports?

Uncle Hla: They did, of course. However, these aircraft were only Yangon-Sittway and Yangon-Mandalay routes for domestic trips. At that time, Fokker aircraft flew for the domestic trips. For international flight, there was only Yangon-Bangkok trip. Therefore, the arrival and departure of foreign passengers were not more than the normal.

I looked at Uncle Hla. He gazed at the scenes in a distance as he remembered lack of progress of domestic and international aviation. I think he remembered his public service life.

I: Please explain to me progress of the transport section after 1988.

Uncle Hla: Yes, of course. After 1988, the government built new airports across the nation. Three new airports with over 10,000 feet long runways have been constructed and eight old airports have been upgraded to the new facilities with over 10,000 feet long runways. Therefore, the country has 11 airports with over 10,000 feet long runways. In addition, a total of 27 old airports have been upgraded to the new facilities with over 5000 feet long runways. At present, Myanmar has 69 airports. As part of efforts to enable the aviation of the nation to meet the international standards, Yangon International Airport and Mandalay International Airport have been upgraded. Now, Nay Pyi Taw International Airport is under construction. Furthermore, new airports were constructed in Anisakhan of PyinOoLwin Township, Bokpyin, Kyaukhtu and Pakokku. The asphalt runway of Yangon International Airport is a 12,000 feet long and 200 feet wide. Mandalay International Airport has 14,000 feet long and 200 feet wide concrete runway. The runway of Mandalay International Airport is the second longest in the world and the longest in Southeast Asia. We take great pride in this facility.

I: Yes, it is right. Moreover, please share your knowledge with me on flight and air routes in addition to passenger transportation.

Uncle Hla: The State encouraged the State-owned sector and the private sector to harmoniously develop the domestic and international aviation. Hence, Myanma Airways of the State operates Fokker flights that can accommodate 85 passengers each and 44 passengers each for the routes of Yangon-Mandalay, Yangon-Sittway, Yangon-Heho and Yangon-Kengtung daily. The flights run the remaining 25 trips five, four or three days a week. In addition, permissions were given to fly the aircraft of Air Bagan, Air Yangon and Air Mandalay private airlines. Therefore, these airlines fly many domestic flights. As a result, thousands of passengers can travel their domestic destinations safely and conveniently. Furthermore, Myanma Airways daily flies Yangon-Bangkok, Yangon-Singapore, Yangon-Kuala Lumpur and Yangon-Gaya (India) routes. Air Bagan, a private airline, is operating its aircraft to fly Yangon-Singapore, Yangon-Bangkok and Air Mandalay runs Yangon-Chiang Mai routes. Therefore, vivid efforts of the State can be seen in providing necessary facilities to the flight passengers, as the passenger flights of international airlines arrive in Myanmar one after another. Due to greater reliance of the passengers on air transport, the number of flight passengers increases day by day.

Whenever I made trips by air, I noticed that all the flights were full with passengers. Many foreign tourists can be seen in border region airports namely Kengtung, Tachilek and Heho because the flight passengers can enjoy fruits of increasing number of flights, travelling opportunity for the people by air in a short time, convenient and smooth aviation transport and prevailing peace and stability. Indeed, it is the achievement of the aviation sector.

I: Please explain to me condition of water transport.

Uncle Hla: In the sector of Inland Water Transport, the vessels of IWT ran in main rivers such as Ayeyawady, Chindwin, Sittoung, Thanlwin, Kaladan, Gyaing and Attaran as inland water transport trips before 1988. There were various types of vessels with engines and without engines. IWT undertook its tasks with the use of passenger ships, cargo barges, passenger and cargo vessels and tug boats, totaling (See page 9)

Ahlon dockyard has capacity to repair up to 30,000-ton vessels.
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Passenger vessels running daily along domestic watercourses for ensuring convenient transport in the inland waterways.

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about 400 vessels. Especially, most of the waterway trips were carried out in the Ayeyawady Delta region.

I: At that time, were new watercraft bought from foreign countries? How was transport of passengers and cargo?

Uncle Hla: New vessels were bought from foreign countries. But, it was a few numbers. The State-owned vessels were repaired and put into service. Dalla, Ahlon, Sittway, Yadana and Hsinmalaik dockyards repaired and maintained the vessels. Hence, the progress of Inland Water Transport was not more than average status at that time.

I: Please tell me significant points after 1988.

Uncle Hla: After 1988, Inland Water Transport systematically realized its aim “Enhance Economy through Transport”. Efforts were made to run the vessels along the domestic water courses with momentum. New jetties and new pontoons were constructed and new water courses were opened to operate in Ayeyawady Delta. Before 1992, about 500 watercraft were added to the IWT. Therefore, it was a remarkable progress. With the aim of ensuring convenient transport in the inland waterways, a total of 14 vessels with engines and 28 vessels without engines were bought from the People’s Republic of China in 1992. Altogether 30 vessels with engines were imported for the second time, engine parts for the third time and spare parts including 112 vessel engines for the fourth time. As a result, the cargo and passenger vessels can run the domestic water courses up and down daily. At present, about 600 watercraft are operating their routes. Hence, vessels are transporting 25 million passengers a year along 62 routes of inland waterways and over 3 million tons of commodities a year.

I: With regard to the ocean going shipping service, I have learnt that there was a transport service namely Myanmar Five Star Line. Please explain to me about it.

Uncle Hla: Actually, it was renamed as Myanmar Five Star Line in the time of the Tatmadaw government. Originally, it was Burma Five Star Shipping Co., Ltd on 5 February 1959. At that time, it was initially constituted with five ocean liners and two coastal liners. On 10 February 1964, it was reconstituted as Myanmar Five Star Shipping Corporation, and it carried out its task with the use of 14 vessels on 15 March 1972. On 1 April 1989, the shipping operation changed its name to Myanmar Five Star Line by operating the transport services with the use of 16 ocean liners and nine coastal liners totaling 25. As the number of vessels increased to eleven more than that of 1988, the transport capability of the shipping line is higher than the past.

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Implementing Nay Pyi Taw International Airport Project

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Tachileik Airport built at border region for ensuring convenient aviation services in the country.

Uncle Hla: Yes, I agree. Due to provisions of the State, the flights get smoother and smoother. The arrival of foreign visitors increases gradually. Therefore, Myanmar citizens will be able to travel to Europe, Asia, Africa, South America and Middle East regions by air at any time. The efforts by the State are for serving the public interest in the future. Encouragement is being given to enhancement of inland water transport and runs of cargo barges. In addition, private-owned speed boats have been permitted to run the water courses. As the modern speed boats run along the trips to Ayeyawady Delta region and Chindwin River of Upper Myanmar, passengers and commodities can be transported within the short period of time saving costs.

While market ships are permitted to extend their trips, arrangements are being made to permit the runs of cruise liners. Due to giving permission to operation of private vessels, competitive transport service contributes to development of waterway transport. There were five dockyards before 1988. At present, six more dockyards including Myamna Shipyards (Hsinmaeleik) that can build and dock 12,000-ton international standard vessels are giving maintenance and construction services to the vessels. As concerted efforts are made in building and maintaining new jetties and new ships with might and main, the Inland Water Transport will fulfill more needs of the people in the future.

I thought the images of progress in water and aviation transport sector being managed by the government for the future State and the people are most impressive. Whichever any government takes responsibility for the State in the future, the sound foundations and infrastructures being built systematically are result of the endeavours made by the present government in the interests of the State and the people for the future.

Translation: TTA

Kayah State subcommission Chairman visits Dimawhso Township

NAY PYI TAW, 23 July — Chairman U Cardio of Kayah State election subcommission accompanied by Secretary U Khin Maung Yi and members inspected electoral process at offices of Naungpale village-tract, Dimawhso village-tract and Myoma Ward subcommittees in Dimawhso Township today, and unveiled the signboard of Myoma Ward subcommission office together with chairman of Myoma Ward subcommission.

In the afternoon, the Kayah State subcommission chairman met members of township/ward-tract subcommittees at the meeting hall of Dimawhso Township General Administration Department. The secretary gave instructions on duties of returning officers and deputy returning officers and tasks to supervise electoral process and to follow Directive for Political Parties No (2/2010).

MNA
Japan vows to assist Mekong countries in environmental protection

HANOI, 23 July—Japan is committed to providing financial and technical assistance to Mekong countries in protecting environment and addressing impact of climate change, said Hidenobu Sobashima, Deputy Press Secretary of Japanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs here on Thursday.

The assistance is under the framework of the Japan’s initiative “A Decade toward the Green Mekong” introduced by the Japanese Foreign Minister Katsuya Okada at the third Mekong-Japan Foreign Ministers’ Meeting on Wednesday, said Hidenobu Sobashima at a press briefing held here on Thursday to brief the outcomes of the meeting.

Sobashima said this initiative was endorsed by the ministers of Mekong region countries and they expressed their willingness to join hands in bringing the initiative into reality.

Japan would also continue support to Mekong region countries for the development of the physical, institutional and people-to-people connectivity in the connection with the Master Plan on ASEAN Connectivity, said Sobashima.

Sobashima said Japan and Mekong region countries would work together to enhance close cooperation on regional and global issues of common concern and to deepen and broaden the existing cooperation to ensure peace, stability and prosperity in the region.

Venezuela breaks off diplomatic ties with Colombia

CARACAS, 23 July—Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez announced on Thursday that his country breaks off the diplomatic relations with Colombia.

“For dignity we do not have other option but to sever diplomatic ties with Colombia,” Chavez said after Colombia presented to the Organization of American States (OAS) the accusations about the alleged presence of Colombian guerrilla chiefs in Venezuelan territory.

At the moment of the announcement, Chavez had a meeting with Argentine soccer coach and former player Diego Maradona, at the Miraflores Palace, headquarters of the Venezuelan government.

With this measure, it was fulfilled the announcement made by Chavez on 16 July about severing ties with Colombia.

Chavez regretted the measure due to the historical ties between the two countries, as they share a border line of 2,120 kilometres.

“We will be on alert, I have ordered maximum alert in our border,” Chavez said. He added that Colombia is obeying the United States and warned about the risk that Colombian President Alvaro Uribe goes for launching a military raid at the border.—Xinhua

Al-Qaeda prisoners escape from Baghdad jail

BAGHDAD, 23 July—Four al-Qaeda prisoners in Baghdad on Thursday escaped from a just-handed jail from the US forces, the Iraqi state television reported.

The four prisoners include the finance and interior ministers of the so called Islamic State of Iraq, a major al-Qaeda branch in the war-torn country, said the report.

The jail they escaped from is a former US military base called camp Copper, which was transferred to Iraq’s interior ministry one week ago, it added.

Iraqi and US forces in the past months have killed and detained some high-ranking leaders of the State of Iraq. Both countries said this was a major blow to the group, but serious attacks have continued across the whole country.—Xinhua

Fishing boats are anchored in the Diaobang port during the no-fishing season in Wenling, east China’s Zhejiang Province, on 22 July, 2010.—Xinhua

Pacific needs to grow partnership with Asian countries

SOFIA, 23 July—The Pacific island countries must try to grow its partnership with other Asian countries, said a UN official on Friday.

Josefa Maaiava, the UN Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP) representative in the Pacific, told a leaders meeting in the Fiji resort city of Nadi that there are many opportunities in the Asian region, which the Pacific Islands can tap into.

“The Pacific needs to enhance strategies to grow beyond the Pacific,” he told leaders at the ‘Engaging with the Pacific’ meeting.

“There are opportunities for the Pacific in the Asia and Pacific region. This has been highlighted in the recent ESCAP meeting,” he added.

He said evidence of import percentage ratings suggested that the Pacific was importing more from the Asian region than that combined together of both Australia and New Zealand.

Maaiava commended the 10 Pacific island states for coming out of their shell and making new moves to get their voices across.

He added that the Pacific must currently try and make do with whatever is available to get things started.

“Make use of platforms that are in existence,” he said.—Xinhua

Personal Web sites becoming hacker target

WASHINGTON, 23 July — The explosion of personal Web sites is creating new opportunities for hackers bent on taking advantage of Internet vulnerabilities, computer experts say.

As the public gains greater access to sophisticated Web services allowing non-technical people to start up very complex Web sites, hackers increasingly identify weak points in the Web sites to find various ways to harm users, LiveScience.com reported.

“Web sites are the next battleground in the war for computer security,” computer scientist Michalis Faloutsos says.

“We are in the early stages of this war, and any Web site is vulnerable,” Faloutsos says.

The number of vulnerable sites is growing with the popularity of companies that offer -- often at low prices -- to host pages with simple directions and only basic technical support.

The Web site-building customers do not have the training necessary to adequately protect their pages, leaving the sites exposed to malware and infiltration, LiveScience.com reported.

Internet
Sister monument to Stonehenge

LONDON, 23 July—Scientists scouring the area around Stonehenge said on 22 July, 2010 they have uncovered the foundations of a second circular structure only a few hundred metres (yards) from the world famous monument. Internet

Moscow heatwave breaks 29-year record

MOSCOW, 23 July—Moscow sweltered through its hottest day in almost 30 years on Thursday, a leading forecaster said, as a heatwave that has destroyed Russian crops over an area the size of Portugal showed no sign of abating.

Temperatures in the capital hit 35 degrees Celsius (95 degrees Fahrenheit) for the first time since 1981, said the Fobos weather forecasting centre, which provides weather data for the country’s top media outlets.

Environmental groups including Greenpeace say Russia’s heatwave is evidence of global warming, but forecasters with the national weather centre have said it is too early to draw a direct link.

“The great drought continues,” Fobos’ Gismeteo.ru weather website said, warning there was little chance of temperatures in the capital falling in the next few days. MNA/Reuters

Indonesia’s economy forecast to grow at 7.7% in 2014

JAKARTA, 23 July—The Indonesian government forecast that the economy would grow at 7.7 percent in 2014, supported by strong consumption, export and investment, local media reported here Friday.

Coordinating Minister for Economy Hatta Rajasa was quoted by Bisnis Indonesia as saying that consumption in forecast to grow from 5.2 percent this year to 5.4 percent in 2014, export from 6.4 percent in 2010 to 15.6 percent in the next four years and investment from 7.2 percent this year to 12.1 percent in 2014.

The government has started to gradually reduce hefty subsidy, such as rising energy price and plan to reduce energy subsidy for rich people, which has burdened the state budget.

Internet

Large amount of explosives stolen from Cyprus military camp

NICOSIA, 23 July — A total of 172 kilograms of plastic explosives were stolen from a Cyprus National Guard camp in the city’s southern district of Limassol, police said on Thursday. Police spokesman Michalis Katsonis said the PG-2 type plastic explosives were probably stolen between 17-21 July. The missing explosives were noticed by some National Guard officers on Wednesday when they went to check a storage camp but couldn’t open it with their keys. They later found that the original locks had been pried open and the perpetrators who broke into the storage room put new ones on the door.

The screen at the top of the Saudi Arabia Pavilion at the Shanghai Expo Park shows lines celebrating the 20th anniversary of diplomatic ties between China and Saudi Arabia on 21 July, 2010. China and Saudi Arabia celebrated their 20th anniversary of diplomatic ties at the Saudi Arabia Pavilion on a Wednesday. Xinhua

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CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV XIANG DA VOY NO (1028)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV XIANG DA VOY NO (1028) are here by notified that the vessels will be arriving on 24.7.2010 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of A.W.P where it will lie at the consignee’s risk and expenses subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

Damaged cargo will be surveyed daily from 8 am to 11:20 am and 12 noon to 4 pm to Claims Day now declared as the third day after final discharge of cargo from the Vessel.

No claims against this vessel will be admitted after the Claims Day.

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Subway seat hogging led to arrest

A New York man said police stopped him and ran his name, resulting in his arrest, because he was taking up an extra seat on the subway.

Frank Caldwell, 43, who stands at 4-foot-2 and said he suffers from a bone ailment, said the F line subway car was nearly empty at about 2 am Wednesday so he spread out on two seats, leading police to ask him to step off the train.

At the Jay Street platform, the New York Post reported Thursday, officers ran his name and discovered four outstanding warrants for open containers of alcohol in public.

“I’ve got a disability in my legs and I just wanted to lie down,” he said. “One of the officers told me later, ‘If my supervisor weren’t around, I would have just tapped you on the foot.’”

Modern Don Giovanni to greet Beijing

BEIJING, 23 July—A modern-day, cell-phone-using Don Giovanni will hit the opera stage in Beijing this September.

Germany’s Cologne Opera House will bring its fresh production of Mozart’s classic opera “Don Giovanni” for a three-day run beginning on 29 September at the National Centre for the Performing Arts in the Chinese capital, according to reports of British newspaper Mirror.

This incredible image is an 11-shot montage showing just one man’s 100ft (305m) cliff-top plunge into the sea. A mystery man’s feet-first plunge into 20ft of water near Penzance, Cornwall, was caught on camera by Alastair Sopp, according to reports of British newspaper Mirror.

Runaway film, TV productions cost California 36,000 jobs

LOS ANGELES, 23 July—California has lost more than 36,000 jobs and 2.4 billion US dollars in wages over the last decade as production has migrated away, a nonprofit economic think tank said on Thursday. The Milken Institute said the figures were based on a survey which ran through 2008, the last year for which federal and state labour data were available. Milken attributes the job losses to production expenses.

Diners flee without paying, but forget purses

A dine-and-dash escapade went bad when two of the fleeing diners left their purses behind. The Springfield News-Leader reported that no charges had been filed as of midweek against the three women who ran from a Waffle House restaurant Sunday morning without paying their $39 bill.

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New 3-D ‘Tron’ film wows Comic-Con with footage

SAN DIEGO, 23 July—The follow-up film to 1982’s “Tron” wowwed the high-tech crowd Comic-Con.

The cast and creators of “Tron: Legacy” discussed the new film and shared about eight minutes of 3-D footage with some 6,000 fans at the annual pop-culture convention on Thursday.

The clip centred on the character of Sam Flynn, played by Garrett Hedlund, entering the digital world where his father disappeared decades earlier.

Beetles piano up for sale

LONDON, 23 July—A coffee-stained piano used by the Beatles at London’s Abbey Road studios is expected to sell for more than 100,000 pounds, an auction house said Wednesday.

The battered Challen upright piano, covered in cigarette burns and coffee stains, can be heard on hits such as “Paperback Writer” and “Tomorrow Never Knows”, both recorded in Abbey Road’s Studio Three in 1966. The piano also features on Pink Floyd’s 1973 “Dark Side of the Moon” LP.

“I think it is the first instrument from the Abbey Road studios to come on the open market,” Stephen Maycock, the consultant specialist for Beatles memorabilia at Bonhams auction house, said.

Beetles piano that was used by the Beatles when they recorded “Paperback Writer” when at London’s Abbey Road studios.

App helps San Fran police track stolen iPhone fast

A man accused of swiping an Apple iPhone out of a woman’s hand in San Francisco may have been shocked when police found him only nine minutes later. It turns out the phone had been tracking his every move.

The iPhone was being used to test a new, real-time GPS tracking application, and the woman holding it was an intern for the software’s maker, Mountain View-based Covia Labs.

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“Paul”, the so-called “octopus oracle”, is presented with a jersey at the Sea Life Aquarium in the western German city of Oberhausen on 22 July, 2010.

The octopus on Thursday was nominated as the “favourite friend” of the Spanish town Carballo.

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Shamrock, Rabotnicki eye Juve, Liverpool shocks

Paris, 23 July—Shamrock Rovers of Ireland and Macedonia’s Rabotnicki set-up money-spinning European League ties against former European champions Juventus and Liverpool respectively on Thursday. Juventus will head to Dublin next week for the third qualifying round tie to face Shamrock, who triumphed 1-0 against Bnei Yehuda in humil Tel-Aviv to prevail 2-0 over twoglegs. Thomas Stewart scored the only goal 20 minutes from the end.

“It’s something wonderful for our fans and players to play against them at our home stadium and in Italy,” Shamrock boss Michael O’Neill told www.uefa.com. “We will try to do our best against Juventus and maybe the luck will be with us.”

Henry scores in 1st game for New York Red Bulls

HARRISON, 23 July—Thierry Henry got into a New York state of mind for his Red Bulls debut, boarding a commuter rail train at the World Trade Center about 2 1/2 hours before his first match. “I was on the PATH train with my friends and with all the fans,” the French star forward said. “For me, it was the quickest way to come to the game, and that’s how I came. It was cool.”

Henry then cooled slowly in his inaugural match for his new team, getting a goal midway through the first half of a 2-1 exhibition loss to old rival Tottenham on Thursday night.

“It was amazing to see the fans, walking with them to the stadium,” he said. “I would say that the reception was tremendous every time I touched the ball.”

Henry scored after Estonian national team regular Joel Lindpere played the ball through the legs of defender Alan Hutton, familiar to American fans for his confrontation last season with US forward Jozy Altidore.

PAOK fires Italian coach Beretta

SALONICA, 23 July—Just over a month after being hired and without an official match played under his direction, PAOK Salonica announced on Thursday that they had fired Italian coach Mario Beretta. Beretta had been hired to a two-year contract on 14 June to replace Fernando Santos, who has taken over the coaching job with the Greece national team.

But club officials were not pleased with PAOK’s pre-season results under his leadership nor with the negative relationship he had with certain players.

Del Potro hopeful of a US Open return from injury

NEW YORK, 23 July—Juan Martin del Potro, who underwent surgery earlier this year on his wrist, hopes to be healthy enough to defend his title at the US Open in August. The 21-year-old Argentine was originally expected to miss the major championship because of surgery on his right hand.

His recovery appears to be ahead of schedule so Del Potro was placed on the provisional Open entry list released on Thursday by the United States Tennis Association. So far the only event he has competed in this year is the Australian Open. But tournament spokesman Tim Curry said world number seven Del Potro is practicing and hitting balls again.

Cash-strapped Mallorca banned from Europa League regulations. In May, the club went into voluntary administration with debts estimated by the Spanish media between at 50 and 60 million euros.

“At its meeting in Nyon, the UEFA Control and Disciplinary Body decided that the Spanish club RCD Mallorca is not admitted to the UEFA club competitions for the 2010/11 season,” said a UEFA statement. “The Control and Disciplinary Body ruled that the club does not fulfil the necessary admission criteria.”

Nadal as a shareholder, have been banned from this season’s Europa League, UEFA announced on Thursday. European football’s governing body said the decision had been taken after Mallorca, who finished in seventh spot in La Liga last season, fell foul of strict financial

Delahoussaye shoots 62 in Canadian Open

TORONTO, 23 July—Brent Delahoussaye shot an 8-under 62 on Thursday to match the Canadian Open record, making an eagle, seven birdies and a bogey in perfect scoring conditions at historic St George’s. Delahoussaye, the 29-year-old former Clemson player whose lone professional victory came in the 2006 Hooters Tour Classic, teed off on the ninth hole and played the front nine — his first and last eight holes — in 6-under 28.

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New York Red Bulls’ Seth Stammler, right, celebrates with Thierry Henry, left, after Henry scored a goal.

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- *Opening*
- *News*
- *Working & Living in Myanmar (Tourism)*
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- *Beauty of The Women of Myanmar*
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- *Myanmar Movie*
- “Competition of Consecration”

**Oversea Transmission**

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Only with stability and peace will the nation develop
Only with stability and peace will democratization process be successful
Anarchy begets anarchy, not democracy
Riots beget riots, not democracy
Democracy can be introduced only through constitution

VOA, BBC-sowing hatred among the people
RFA, DVB-generating public outrage
Do not allow ourselves to be swayed by killer broadcasts designed to cause troubles

People’s Desire
- We favour peace and stability
- We favour development
- We oppose unrest and violence
- Wipe out those inciting unrest and violence

Nay Pyi Taw Inter-Ministry Football Tournament goes on

Nay Pyi Taw, 23 July — Organized by the Ministry of Sports and Myanmar Football Federation, round robin matches of fourth Nay Pyi Taw Inter-Ministry Football Tournament were held at designated places here this evening, attended by officials of ministries concerned, staff and their families and football fans.

At the match of Group D held at Nay Pyi Taw Sports Ground, the Ministry of Forestry team beat the Ministry of Mines team 1-0.

The Ministry of Energy won over the Ministry of Home Affairs 1-0 at the match of Group E held at Paunglaung Sports Ground and the Ministry of Culture hammered the Ministry of Science and Technology 2-0 at the match of Group E held at Nay Pyi Taw Lewe Sports Ground.

Tomorrow’s fixtures are scheduled as the Ministry of Sports team versus the Ministry of Information team at Nay Pyi Taw Sports Ground, the Ministry of Rail Transportation team vs. the Ministry of Electric Power No (1) at Paunglaung Sports Ground and the Ministry of Construction team vs. the Ministry of Religious Affairs at Nay Pyi Taw Lewe Sports Ground.—MNA

Talks on traffic rules held in Nay Pyi Taw


Police Captain Aung Myint Kyaw of Nay Pyi Taw Traffic Police Corps explained traffic accident in the district, road directions and international traffic rules.

A similar talk was held at Basic Education Primary School in Kungyansu Village in Nay Pyi Taw Pyinmana Township the same day.

IP Khin Maung Shwe of Nay Pyi Taw Traffic Police Corps explained number of traffic accidents in the district, car accidents, road directions and international traffic rules.—MNA

Warm climate could increase release of carbon dioxide by inland lakes

London, 23 July — Much organically bound carbon is deposited on inland lake bottoms. A portion remains in the sediment, sometimes for thousands of years, while the rest is largely broken down to carbon dioxide and methane, which are released into the atmosphere. Swedish researchers have shown that carbon retention by sediment is highly temperature-sensitive and that a warmer climate would result in increased carbon dioxide emissions to the atmosphere. The study is published in the current issue of the journal Nature.

Particles of different kinds — including microscopic algae, other plankton and humus from surrounding land areas — are continuously deposited on lake bottoms. The breakdown of a portion of this matter by bacteria in the sediment contributes significantly to atmospheric carbon dioxide. Lake sediment nevertheless constitutes an important “carbon sink,” serving to store — sometimes for a very long time — a significant portion of the carbon-containing material that does not decompose.

To date, it has been unclear to what extent organic, carbon-containing material remains on lake bottoms, as opposed to being broken down. A group of researchers under the leadership of Professor Lars Tranvik at the Department of Limnology at Uppsala University has found a strong connection between the carbon dioxide production of lake sediment and bottom-water temperature.—Internet

Noteworthy amounts of rainfall (23-7-2010)

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