Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe of Ministry of Defence welcomes back Myanmar Tatmadaw Track and Field Team

Yangon, 14 Sept—Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe of the Ministry of Defence welcomed back the Myanmar Tatmadaw Track and Field Team that took part in the Half Marathon Race of Singaporean Armed Forces held on 12 September at Yangon at 3:40 pm. They were welcomed back at the airport by Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe of the Ministry of Defence, Chairman of Yangon Region Peace and Stability.

Tanilale lake contributes to greening of Dimawhso Township

Tanilale lake in Dimawhso Township of Loikaw District, Kayah State. Byline & Photos: Thet Htet Ko (Baw Gar Myay)

Water is essential not only for living things but also for agriculture. There are a lot of rivers, creeks and lakes in Myanmar. For irrigation purpose, water is being supplied to farmlands by means of dams, river water pumping projects and underground water tapping projects. Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation is taking responsibility for retaining water in order to supply water to farmlands and to use surplus water in other places.

Kayah State is in pursuit of the target of 260987 acres of monsoon crops for 2010-2011. State Irrigation Department is constantly making endeavors for supply of irrigation water to these farmlands.

The farmlands get irrigation water from 32 dams, Mobye, Ngwetaung, Dawtacha and Hotar dams, Loinanpha and Ngwetaung regulating dams, nine diversion dams and 17 lakes. All other dams, regulating dams, diversion dams and water tanks have been under regular maintenance except upper and lower Tanilale lakes in Dimawhso Township of Loikaw District which were built in 1980.

“ Irrigation Department and Care Myanmar Co., Ltd in collaboration with local people have carried out raising level of lower Tanilale lake’s bund measuring 1600x14x3 feet from 10 June through 5 July. Our department has to build new lakes and dams and to carry out maintenance of these lakes and dams,” said U Tin Wan, Deputy Director of State Irrigation Department. Thanks to the said lakes, they contribute much not only to local people but also to the region. The construction of 7000 feet long intake channel from No.2 Phaeylan dam to lower Tanilale lakes has been carried out by Irrigation Department and Care Myanmar company in collaboration with local 

Tanilale lake in Dimawhso Township of Loikaw District, Kayah State. (See page 10)
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NAY PYI TAW, 14 Sept—Minister for Finance and Revenue U Hla Tun this morning attended the 121st Meeting of the Banks Supervisory Committee and Myanmar Banks Association at the hall of the Ministry, here. The minister delivered an address. Deputy Minister U Hla Thein Swe and Governor of Central Bank of Myanmar U Than Nyin explained banking services. Executives and responsible persons of the Myanmar Banks Association submitted reports on their respective sectors. The managing director of State-owned banks and chairman and managing directors of private banks reported on banking services of their organizations. The meeting ended with the concluding remarks by the minister.

Electronics & Yangon International Trade Exhibition on 24-27 Sept

YANGON, 14 Sept—IMEC Company Limited is arranging to hold Electronics & Yangon International Trade Exhibition 2010 on a grand scale at Tatmadaw Convention Hall in U Wisara Road here from 24 to 27 September.

Various international and local products including electronics and electrical goods, household goods, furniture, foodstuff and medicine will be on show at the exhibition.

Various brands in electronic market—will also exhibit booths at the fair at which the IMEC Company may offer washing machine lucky draw daily. For inquiry, one may dial 73043588.

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NAY PYI TAW, 14 Sept—Myanmar delegation led by Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyan Win arrived back Yangon today after attending the opening of new Consulate-General building of the Union of Myanmar in Kunming, Yunnan Province, the People’s Republic of China.

The minister addressed the opening ceremony of new building held on 12 September. It was also attended by Director-General U Tin Soe of the Planning and Administrative Department of the Foreign Affairs Ministry, Consul General U Zaw Pyho Win, officials of the Myanmar Consulate-General, Governor of Yunnan Province Mr Qiang Guangrong, Vice-Governor Mr Gu Zhao Xi, Director-General of Foreign Affairs Office of Yunnan Province Mr Mme Zhou Hong, responsible personnel and guests.

The opening ceremony of Consulate-General building of the Union of Myanmar in Kunming, Yunnan Province, the People’s Republic of China in progress.—MFA

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Myanmar, India to boost energy cooperation

NAY PYI TAW, 14 Sept—Minister for Energy U Lun Thi received an economic delegation from the Indian Chamber of Commerce of Kolkata of the Republic of India at the Ministry, here, this afternoon.

Also present at the call were Deputy Minister for Energy U Than Htay and officials, members of the Indian delegation—Member of Parliament Mr MS Aiyar, Honorable Minister of Trade and Commerce, Government of Mizoram, Mr LR Sailo, Deputy Chairman, Manipur State Planning Board, Mr Bijoy Kojiam, Commissioner of Industries, Nagaland, Mr Mero Ips, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region, Government of India, Mrs J Mukherjee.

They discussed transport of the natural gas produced from Rakhine offshore blocks and Rakhine inland blocks, for which permissions were given to Indian companies, to the north-eastern states of India for generating electricity.—MNA

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* Oppose those trying to jeopardize stability of the State and progress of the nation
* Oppose foreign nations interfering in internal affairs of the State
* Crush all internal and external destructive elements as the common enemy
The wreckage of an airplane of a state airline Conviasa is seen on the ground after it crashed about 6 miles (10 kilometers) from the eastern city of Puerto Ordaz, Venezuela, on 13 Sept, 2010. The plane was carrying 51 people, and officials said at least 21 people survived. —Internet

CARACAS, 14 Sept—A plane carrying 51 people crashed Monday in a steel mill yard in eastern Venezuela, killing 15 people on board, officials said.

Workers at the state-run Sidor steel foundry pulled people from the smoking wreckage of the plane owned by Venezuelan state airline Conviasa, and officials said 36 passengers and crew survived. Foundry worker Frank Oliveros, 44, said he saw a huge billow of smoke after the crash, then saw the wreckage and joined dozens of fellow employees and firefighters who rushed to the scene.

“I don’t remember names … faces,” Oliveros told The Associated Press by telephone. “Our only interest was getting all the people out of there alive.” The partially scorched fuselage of French-built ATR 42 rested among barrels and shipping containers.

Fifteen people were killed after the crash about six miles (10 kilometres) from the eastern city of Puerto Ordaz, Bolivar state Gov. Francisco Rangel Gomez told reporters. Forensic experts have yet to identify six of the bodies, he said.

“A miracle occurred today,” said Rangel Gomez, referring to the number of survivors. The bodies of all the victims have been located, but authorities have not yet identified them all, Rangel Gomez said.

It was unclear what caused the crash.

The plane, a twin-engine turboprop, was carrying 47 passengers and four crew members, Rangel Gomez said. Only one of the crew members survived, he said. —Internet

Two police officers killed in Baghdad

BAGHDAD, 14 Sept—Two police officers were killed in two attacks by silenced weapons in Baghdad on Monday, an Interior Ministry source said.

A police Colonel was shot dead in the morning when unidentified gunmen opened fire from their weapons fitted with silencers on his car while he was driving in the al-Hurriyah neighbourhood in northwest of Baghdad, the source told Xinhua on condition of anonymity.

In a separate incident, gunmen with their weapons equipped with silencers shot dead another police officer near his house in the al-Jamia neighbourhood in western Baghdad, the source said.

Violence is still common in Iraqi cities as security deteriorated, causing a setback to the efforts of the Iraqi government to restore normalcy in the country about two weeks after the US military announced withdrawal of its combat troops from the war-torn country. —Xinhua

Russia’s drug watchdog seizes 10 tons of drugs in 2010

MOSCOW, 14 Sept—The Russian Federal Drug Control Service has seized about 10 tons of narcotic drugs in 2010, reported Russian media on Monday.

“More than eight tons of hemp, over 900 kg of heroin and more than 900 kg of hashish have been seized,” the service was quoted by Interfax news agency as saying. The service reported the number of drug traffickers has grown lately. “There have been about 80 armed attacks on drug control officers in the past two years.

Many officers sustained serious injuries, and two died,” the service said. The traffickers were also reported to put up more aggressive resistance as they use both fire and cold weapon. Recently, Russian President Dmitry Medvedev stressed the problem at the international political forum in the city of Yaroslavl on 9 to 10 Sept. He outlined the “possibility of a democratic state to protect citizens from criminal communities,” such as terrorism, drug trafficking and illegal migration. “The elimination of these threats is the first task of a democratic society,” Medvedev said.

Some five million drug addicts live in Russia with majority addicted to the heroin illegally delivered from Afghanistan. Tens of thousands residents die from it every year.—Xinhua

A man walks past the remains of homes damaged from a fire caused by an explosion in a mostly residential area in San Bruno, Calif, on 13 Sept, 2010. The explosion prompted California regulators to order the utility, Pacific Gas and Electric to survey all its natural gas lines in the state in hopes of heading off another disaster. —Internet

SAN BRUNO, 14 Sept—an ominous theme has emerged from the wreckage of a deadly pipeline explosion in California: There are thousands of pipes just like it nationwide.

Utilities have been under pressure for years to better inspect and replace aging gas pipes — many of them laid years before the suburbs expanded over them and now at risk of leaking or erupting.

But the effort has fallen short. Critics say the regulatory system is ripe for problems because the government largely leaves it up to the companies to do inspections, and utilities are reluctant to spend the money necessary to properly fix and replace decrepit pipelines.

“If this was the FAA and air travel we were talking about, I wouldn’t get on a plane,” said Rick Kessler, a former congressional staffer specializing in pipeline safety issues who now works for the Pipeline Safety Trust, an advocacy group based in Bellingham, Wash.

Investigators are still trying to figure out how the pipeline in San Bruno ruptured and ignited a gigantic fireball that torched one home after another in the neighborhood, killing at least four people. Pacific Gas & Electric Co, the pipeline’s owner, said Monday it has set aside up to $100 million to help residents recover. —Internet

Gun battle leaves two militants dead in N Afghanistan

PUL-E-KHRUM, 14 sept—Two Taleban militants were killed and four others sustained injuries as they came in contact with police in northern Baghlan Province on Monday, deputy to provincial police chief Syed Zamanudin Hussaini said.

The convoy of new police chief of Kunduz Province Abdul Rahman Syedkhili was heading towards Kunduz City, the capital of Kunduz Province this morning when Taleban militants attacked and police returned fire, killing two rebels on the sport,” Hussaini told Xinhua.

Four more Taleban fighters sustained injuries in the gun battle lasted for some three hours, he further said. The incident happened in Jar-e-Khusk village of Baghlan-e-Jadid district where Taleban militants are active. Syedkhili formally assumed office as police chief of Kunduz Province on Monday and vowed to improve security situation there in Kunduz Province. Both Baghlan and the neighbouring Kunduz Province are regarded as Taleban hotbed in north Afghanistan since early this year as Taleban militants have expanded their activities in both the provinces. —Xinhua
**Science**

**Melting sea ice forces walruses ashore in Alaska**

This 7 Sept, 2010 picture provided by the US Geological Survey shows a walrus calf looking out from the group at the beach line near Point Lay, Alaska. Tens of thousands of walruses have come ashore in northwest Alaska because the sea ice they normally rest on has melted. Federal scientists say this massive move to shore by walruses is unusual in the United States.

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**US senator seeks to safeguard stem cell funding**

A researcher removes a colony of stem cells from a incubator. A US senator unveiled a bill on Monday to safeguard government funding for human embryonic stem cell research amid a court battle that saw a judge order a halt to federal money for such work.

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**Technology**

**“Halo: Reach” videogame invasion begins**

The trigger fingers of “Halo” lovers worldwide are twitching ahead of the release Tuesday of the latest installment of the acclaimed science fiction shooter videogame.

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**AppNation rises in booming world of smartphone programmes**

Mobile applications have been around since the late 1990s but began to flourish after Apple launched its App Store for iPhone and iPod Touch devices in mid-2008. The list of AppNation sponsors included Alcatel-Lucent, GetJar, Yahoo!, Microsoft, BlackBerry, LG, and Nvidia.

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**“The gold was discovered a couple of years ago with Apple and now the rush is beginning.”**

— US senator, himself a cancer survivor. In his August ruling, US District Court judge Royce Lambeth found that the research violated a 1996 law — the Dickey-Wicker amendment — that forbids using government money to produce stem cells from human embryos.

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**Lenticular clouds hover over Mount Erebus in McMurdo Sound. A Royal New Zealand Air Force plane evacuated a sick American man from Antarctica on Tuesday after making a nearly 4,000-kilometre (2,500-mile) mercy dash, officials said.**

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**Health**

**Removing Fallopian tubes cuts ovarian cancer risk**

Montreal, 14 Sept—Removing a woman’s Fallopian tubes could cut the number of deaths from ovarian cancer by 30 percent as that is where the illness develops first, Canadian researchers said on Friday. “Instead of clipping the tubes or burning it, it should be removed. We are warning: stop leaving the tubes in, it is where ovarian cancer begins,” said gyna-ecologic oncologist Sarah Finlayson from Vancouver General Hospital. She said the discovery that ovarian cancer actually begins in the Fallopian tubes was “one of these moments of luck” during research into women who carry the BRCA gene that can trigger breast cancer. “We simply hadn’t looked there before. Once we looked carefully, we found that ovarian cancer does not begin in the ovaries but in the Fallopian tubes.” Ovarian cancer affects one in 70 women in Canada and the chances of surviving longer than five years after diagnosis are only about 37 percent.

Women with the BRCA mutation have a high risk of developing cancer of the uterus or ovaries and often have them removed as a precaution. “A woman may have no prior history of ovarian cancer in her family, but we now know that her children and their children could be at risk, and we have the ability to screen them genetically and act proactively,” added pathologist Blake Gilks.—Internet

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**Disinfecting hand gels don’t affect H1N1 flu infection rate**

Boston, 14 Sept—The regular use of alcohol-based disinfecting hand gels authorities recommended during the At(H1N1) pandemic has little effect on the disease’s infection rate, according to a study published Sunday. The findings suggest that the pandemic virus and similar strains may be most effectively transmitted in the air, rather than by contact with infected surfaces, the authors of the study said.

“An alcohol hand disinfectant with enhanced antiviral activity failed to significantly reduce the frequency of infection with either rhinovirus or influenza,” wrote the authors of the study presented Sunday at the Interscience Conference on Antimicrobial Agents and Chemotherapy (ICAAC) here.

Participants in the study disinfected their hands roughly every three hours over ten weeks between 25 August and 9 November, 2009. Of that group, 42 out of 100 contracted rhinovirus infections, compared to 51 out of 100 in the control group. Similarly, 12 of those regularly disinfected their hands contracted the H1N1 flu, compared to 15 in the control group.

“The hand treatment also did not significantly reduce the frequency of illnesses caused by the viruses,” said the authors of the study led by Ronald Turner of the University of Virginia.

The study was financed by the Dial Corporation, which makes various care and cleaning products, including alcohol-based hand sanitizer.

“The results of this study suggest that hand transmission maybe less important for the spread of rhinovirus than previously believed,” the authors said.—Internet

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**Health Tip: help kids do their homework**

Homework teaches kids valuable lessons in independent thinking, responsibility, and pride in accomplishment.

The Nemours Foundation says parents should resist the urge to do homework for their children. Instead, they should support their children’s efforts, especially in creating the right environment for homework. The foundation’s suggestions include:

* Be sure the work area is well-lit.
* Create a comfortable space where your child can study.
* Provide any supplies your child may need — such as a calculator, dictionary, paper or pencil.
* Don’t allow any distractions such as background television, or playing video games or talking on the phone.

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**Business**

**Google buys second Israeli start-up**

Jerusalem, 14 Sept—Search giant Google said that it is buying its second Israeli start-up, Quiksee, in a deal estimated at 10 million US dollars, local daily Haaretz reported on Monday.

Quiksee (Mentor-Wave Technologies) is a location-based service that provides “customized immersive visual experiences,” according to their LinkedIn page. The firm allows web surfers to create “virtual tours that include rich-media, multimedia, annotations, links and video,” said the company’s website.

Quiksee’s application appears to be a close-up refinement of Google’s existing “Street View” service, which lets viewers view street level images of cities and sites worldwide.—Xinhua

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**AIG formulating plan to exit government ownership**

San Francisco, 14 Sept—American International Group Inc (AIG) N is in talks with US officials to formulate a plan that would speed up the insurer’s exit from government ownership, the Wall Street Journal said, citing people familiar with the matter.

The exit plan could be rolled out as early as the first half of 2011 and is designed to repay the US taxpayers in full, the Journal said.

As per the plan, the Treasury department may convert $49 billion in AIG preferred shares it owns into common shares. This move would increase the government’s ownership stake in the insurance company to above 90 percent, from 79.8 percent currently, the Journal said, citing people familiar with the matter. However, after the conversion, the common shares would be sold off to private investors in a phased manner, a move that would reduce US ownership and potentially earn the government a profit if the shares rise in value, the newspaper said.

“Our objectives remain the same: to repay taxpayers and position AIG over time as a strong, independent company worthy of investor confidence,” an AIG spokeswoman told the Journal. She declined to provide details of the exit plan, the Journal said. AIG could not immediately be reached for comment by Reuters outside of regular US business hours.

AIG was bailed out by the US government two years ago from near-collapse with a $182.3 billion taxpayer-funded rescue package.—Internet

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**Apple’s iPad to hit Chinese market on Friday**

Beijing, 14 Sept—Apple Inc. plans to begin official sales of its iPad tablet computer this Friday in China, the company announced on Monday.

According to a Wall Street Journal report, the Wi-Fi models of the iPad will be available to customers through two Apple stores in China and through authorized resellers.

The beginning of the sales will start on Friday at 10 am, according to the newspaper. The iPad’s price will be higher in China than in the United States.

It will charge from 3,988 yuan (about $590 US dollars), for the 64-gigabyte model, at 10 am, according to the newspaper. The iPad’s price will be higher in China than in the United States.

The prices of the two models in the US are $499 and $699 US dollars respectively. On 21 June, Apple announced it had sold three million iPads worldwide.—Xinhua
**Floods, landslides kill five in S Philippines**

**COTABATO, 14 Sept**—Flood-triggered landslides in a southern Philippine City have already killed five people, local disaster authorities said on Tuesday.

Hundreds of families were affected by flood and a tornado triggered by heavy downpour on Monday night in the city of Koronadal in southern Philippines, said department of social welfare and development director Zorahayda Taha.

At least 500 people were forced to abandon their homes as flood waters engulfed low lying villages in the southern city of Koronadal.

Local officials declared state of calamity within the city.

"Last night, some roads were flooded and impassable," Koronadal City Mayor Peter Miguel told reporters.

The Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical and Astronomical Service Administration (Pagasa) has warned the prevailing Intertropical Convergence Zone over the western and southern Philippines would bring heavy rains and frequent thunderstorms in the near future.—**Xinhua**

**Drone attack kills 10 people in NW Pakistan**

**ISLAMABAD, 14 Sept**—At least 10 people were killed on Tuesday morning in a suspected United States drone attack in North Waziristan tribal area, northwest Pakistan, local TV channels reported citing official sources.

The spy plane fired three missiles at a house allegedly used by militants in Shawal tehsil, 50 kilometres from Miranshah, the centre of North Waziristan, the private TV Express reported.

However, the identity of perished people could not be known as yet as usually drone strikes focus on targeting prominent militants.

Shawal is reportedly the base of Haqqani Taliban group.

Some 30 people have been killed in five most recent previous drone strikes in North Waziristan.

More than 1,000 people have so far been killed in over 100 drone strikes in troubled Pakistani tribal areas since Aug 2008, raising serious concerns over destruction of civilian properties and an alarming civilian death ratio.—**Xinhua**

**Rains kill 43 in Nicaragua**

**MANAGUA, 14 Sept**—The Nicaraguan Army's Civil Defence said on Monday that 43 people have died in the rain season which began in May as more rain was forecast for the coming hours.

The latest victim was a 29-year-old man, who was dragged by the rain flow in Palos Quemados.

His body was found 7 km from Pochotillo town in Granada department, some 45 km southeast to the capital of Managua.

The Civil Defence also said that due to rains on Sunday, 151 people from Bajos de Acachuelina in the riverside of Xolotlan Lake were evacuated and taken to shelters.

According to the Civil Defence, nearly 2,000 people are now staying in 26 shelters across the country.—**Xinhua**

**Two jailed for “chatting” victim into giving them $190,000**

**BEIJING, 14 Sept**—A court in Zhangjiagang, Jiangsu Province, recently sentenced two men who duped a local businessman of a whopping 1.3 million yuan ($190,000) by pretending to be his friend in dire need of cash.

The two men acquired the instant messaging chat ID and password of one of the victim’s friends using the Trojan software.

They then contacted the businessman on chat and convinced him to transfer the amount to a bank account.

The court sentenced one of them to 12 years in prison while the other to 11 and a half, with fines of 20,000 yuan each.—**Xinhua**
Cambodia intends to host the 36th World Heritage Committee meeting in 2012

Phnom Penh, 14 Sept — Cambodia intends to host the 36th World Heritage Committee (WHC) 2012 meeting in the country’s northern province of Siem Reap, a government official said Tuesday. Phay Siphan, spokesman for the Office of the Council of Ministers, said Cambodia has already expressed its readiness and intention to UNESCO to host the 36th WHC meeting.

He said, Cambodia is now vice chairman of the WHC and this country’s richness in cultural sites along with nearly 1,000 temples and preservation experiences is fit to the event. For the purpose itself, Phay Siphan said Cambodia wants to share its experiences in the conservation and preservation works that have been worked with many development partners for many ruin temples across the country.

He said, if approved as planned, the meeting will be held in Siem Reap, the country’s tourism hub where is rich of cultural sites along with world famous temple of Angkor Wat.

Emerging-market cities to bring biggest commercial growth opportunity

Tianjin, 14 Sept— Emerging-market cities with a population of more than 500,000 will constitute the biggest commercial opportunity for companies in the coming decades, said a report issued Tuesday by the Boston Consulting Group (BCG). One third of the world’s population, or 2.6 billion people, live in the 717 emerging-market cities currently.

The number is expected to increase to an additional 1.3 billion by 2030, according to the report issued during the three-day Annual Meeting of New Champions 2010 in Tianjin. Alongside the burgeoning middle-class households within these cities, new opportunities will continue to emerge, it said.

According to the report, more than 37 percent of the world’s cars are purchased in emerging-market cities, and sales of luxury autos already rival sales in Germany, Japan and the United States.

European ultra-marathon athlete Pat Farmer, runs across the steps of the Sydney Opera House, after launching on 14 September, 2010 his bid to run from the North to South poles. Farmer’s Pole to Pole run, due to start in March 2011, aims to raise 100 million US dollars for Red Cross water and sanitation programmes, and will take him on a 21,000-kilometre journey through 14 countries.

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Euro Disney to sign expansion deal

Paris, 14 Sept — Europe’s top tourist attraction Euro Disney is on Tuesday to extend its partnership deal with the French state to 2030, enlarging the theme park and eyeing eight billion euros in extra investment.

Euro Disney, which says it contributes over six percent of foreign tourist revenue in France, will also develop a project with the Pierre & Vacances group based on sustainable development for an investment of 1.8 billion euros. “Les Village Nature de Val’Europe,” to the east of Paris, will include a lake and forest as well as 7,000 hotel beds, the financial daily Les Echos reported.

The company said its new projects would create around 70,000 direct and indirect jobs at its sites, which have been visited by 215 million people since 1992.

Two Barbados men charged in fire that killed six

Bridgetown, 14 Sept—Police said Monday they have arrested two robbers who set a clothing store ablaze, killing six young women in the normally tranquil capital of the Caribbean Island.

Commissioner Darwin Dottin said 21-year-old Renaldo Anderson Alleyne and 19-year-old Jamar Bynoe have been charged with six counts of murder, aggravated burglary, and arson in the 3 Sept attack. “Evidence suggests the two are friends and planned and carried out the burglary,” Dottin said Monday. He said investigators had “massive help from the public,” even though it took more than a week to make arrests. The suspects had not yet entered pleas on Monday and it was not immediately clear if they had attorneys.

Investigators allege the suspects burst into a Bridgetown clothing shop and demanded money before setting the place on fire.

The blaze killed six women aged 18 to 24, shocking people across the island where crime is rare and usually involves petty theft.
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Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Brig-Gen Tun Than, senior military officers and officials, Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe cordially greeted the athletes.

The Myanmar Tatmadaw Team stood sixth in the inter-team event, fifth in the inter-country event and fourth in the ASEAN countries event.—MNA

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Sanitation activity in Mandalay

Nay Pyi Taw, 14 Sept — Chairman of Taninthayi Region Peace and Development Council Commander of Coastal Region Command Brig-Gen Khin Maung Htay inspected Bokpyin Airport and met Tatmadawmen and their families at the hall of Bokpyin Station on 7 September. The commander presented stationary for offspring of the officers and Tatmadawmen.—MNA

Mandalay Mayor U Phone Zaw Han and officials look into fumigation at Pyigyidagun Township.—NLM

Regional development tasks in Bokpyin Tsp inspected

Mandalay, 14 Sept — Jointly organized by Mandalay City Development Committee and Health Department of Mandalay Region, a sanitation movement for malaria and dengue fever took place in E Ward, Pyigyidagun Township of Mandalay Region and together with wife Daw Moe Thida planted Seinban saplings.

He also attended ninth tree planting ceremony of Mandalay Region War Veteran Organization held in the compound of Basic Education High School in Patheingyi and together with wife Daw Moe Thida planted Seinban saplings.

Korean-made Nano Energizer brand products introduce

Yangon, 14 Sept — Korean-made Nano Energizer brand products are now available at Myanmar market. There are two kinds of Nano Energizer — All in One Type for heavy machines and smaller engine. Nano Energizers are more economical than any other ones because of its long-time use. It can stabilize engine heat and reduce wear and tear that causes frictional to metal contact. For more information, contact sole agent Royal Lubricants Trading Co., Ltd in Yangon Region and dial 01-7303919, 01-681606, 09-8621039 and 09-5152429 and Kantkaw Motorbike parts trading in Minbu, Magway Region.—MNA

Seventh Japan Cup Judo contest on 21-22 Sept

Yangon, 14 Sept — Seventh Japan Cup Judo contest will be held at National Indoor Stadium (1) Thawunna on 21 and 22 September. It is annually held under the arrangement of Sports and Physical Education Department under the Ministry of Sports and jointly organized by Myanmar Judo Federation and Japanese Embassy.

The judo teams wishing to compete in the contest may contact Myanmar Judo Federation (MJF), U Wisara Road in the compound of national swimming pool, here and dial ph-01-380772.—MNA

Myanmar, India to promote trade

Nay Pyi Taw, 14 Sept — Minister for Commerce U Tin Naing Thein received Trade delegation from West Bangal, Mizoram, Manipur, Nagaland and Arunachal Pradesh States led by Indian MP Mr Mani Shanker Aiyar and Honourable Minister of Trade Mr Lalrinlilana Sailo of Mizoram State.

Mandalay Mayor U Phone Zaw Han and officials look into fumigation at Pyigyidagun Township.—NLM

Sanitation activity in Mandalay

Mandalay, 14 Sept — Jointly organized by Mandalay City Development Committee and Health Department of Mandalay Region, a sanitation movement for malaria and dengue fever took place in E Ward, Pyigyidagun Township of Mandalay Region and together with wife Daw Moe Thida planted Seinban saplings.

He also attended ninth tree planting ceremony of Mandalay Region War Veteran Organization held in the compound of Basic Education High School in Patheingyi and together with wife Daw Moe Thida planted Seinban saplings.

Korean-made Nano Energizer brand products introduce

Yangon, 14 Sept — Korean-made Nano Energizer brand products are now available at Myanmar market. There are two kinds of Nano Energizer — All in One Type for heavy machines and smaller engine. Nano Energizers are more economical than any other ones because of its long-time use. It can stabilize engine heat and reduce wear and tear that causes frictional to metal contact. For more information, contact sole agent Royal Lubricants Trading Co., Ltd in Yangon Region and dial 01-7303919, 01-681606, 09-8621039 and 09-5152429 and Kantkaw Motorbike parts trading in Minbu, Magway Region.—MNA

Seventh Japan Cup Judo contest on 21-22 Sept

Yangon, 14 Sept — Seventh Japan Cup Judo contest will be held at National Indoor Stadium (1) Thawunna on 21 and 22 September. It is annually held under the arrangement of Sports and Physical Education Department under the Ministry of Sports and jointly organized by Myanmar Judo Federation and Japanese Embassy.

The judo teams wishing to compete in the contest may contact Myanmar Judo Federation (MJF), U Wisara Road in the compound of national swimming pool, here and dial ph-01-380772.—MNA

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2. Of the 10 parties stated in the Paragraph-1 and which are encompassed by the Article 25 of Political Parties Registration Law, the following five parties applied to the UEC for registration within 60 days.
   (a) Mro or Khami National Solidarity Organization (MKNSO)
   (b) National Unity Party
   (c) Lahu National Development Party
   (d) Kokang Democracy and Unity Party
   (e) Union Kayin League

3. Of the 10 parties stated in Paragraph-1, the following five parties have become null and void according to the law as they did not apply for continued existence as political parties within the prescribed days. As those parties no longer have the right to continued existence as political parties, their registrations have been revoked and they have been dissolved.
   (a) Union Pa-O National Organization
   (b) Shan Nationalities League for Democracy
   (c) Shan State Kokang Democratic Party
   (d) “Wa” National Development Party
   (e) National League for Democracy

4. Forty-two political parties whose registrations have been passed by the UEC for rational demand to run for multi-party democracy general elections to be held on 7 November 2010 include five parties stated in Paragraph-2 and 37 new parties.

5. Of those 42 parties, the following 37 parties shall have the right to continue existence as political parties as their Hluttaw candidates will compete in at least three constituencies out of the Pyithu Hluttaw constituency, the Amyotha Hluttaw constituency and Region or State Hluttaw constituency for multi-party democracy general elections to be held on 7 November 2010.
   (a) Mro or Khami National Solidarity Organization (MKNSO)
   (b) National Unity Party
   (c) Lahu National Development Party
   (d) Kokang Democracy and Unity Party
   (e) Pa-O National Organization (PNO)
   (f) Democratic Party (Myanmar)
   (g) Kayan National Party
   (h) Rakhine State National Force of Myanmar
   (i) Kayin Peoples Party
   (j) “Wa” National Unity Party
   (k) Taung (Palaung) National Party
   (l) All Mon Region Democracy Party
   (m) Democracy and Peace Party
   (n) Shan Nationalities Democratic Party
   (o) United Democratic Party (UDP)
   (p) 88 Generation Student Youths (Union of Myanmar)
   (q) Union of Myanmar Federation of National Politics
   (r) National Political Alliances League
   (s) Chin National Party
   (t) Wunthu NLD (Union of Myanmar)
   (u) New Era People’s Party
   (v) Union Democracy Party
   (w) Peace and Diversity Party
   (x) Chin Progressive Party
   (y) Inn National Development Party
   (z) Rakhine Nationalities Development Party
   (aa) “Wa” Democratic Party
   (bb) Phalon-Sawaw Democratic Party
   (cc) National Democratic Party for Development
   (dd) Union Solidarity and Development Party
   (ee) Ethnic National Development Party
   (ff) Kaman National Progressive Party
   (gg) Khawn National Development Party
   (hh) Rakhine Nationalities Democratic Party
   (ii) Unity and Democracy Party (Kachin State)
   (jj) Kayin State Democracy and Development Party
   (kk) National Development and Peace Party

6. As the following five parties whose registrations have been passed are not able to compete in at least three constituencies for multi-party democracy general elections, the UEC has dissolved those parties by cancelling their registrations under Article 12 (b) of Political Parties Registration Law.
   (a) Union Kayin League
   (b) Myanmar New Society Democratic Party Registration No. 20
   (c) Myanmar Democracy Congress
   (d) Mro National Party
   (e) Regional Development Party (Pyay)

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(a) issue or refuse to issue a permit.
(b) If it issues a permit, the Union Election Commission shall mention the duration and the person granted permission to canvass in the permit in line with the designated date and timetable. 
(c) If it refuses to issue a permit, the Union Election Commission shall inform the applicant, giving the reason of why it has to refuse.
5. To canvass on radio and TV, a political party is permitted:—
   (a) to take 15 minutes if it wishes to canvass on radio,
   (b) to take 15 minutes if it wishes to canvass on TV,
   (c) to air its song during the designated period of 15 minutes.
6. In canvassing on radio and TV, political parties shall not breach any of the following restrictions.
   (a) not to give any talks that can harm ‘non-disintegration of the Union’, ‘non-disintegration of national solidarity’, and ‘perpetuation of sovereignty’
   (b) not to give any talks that can harm security, the rule of law, and community peace,
   (c) not to disobey the State Constitution of the Union of Myanmar and existing laws,
   (d) not to stimulate sedition or give any talks that can tarnish the image of the State,
   (e) not to give any talks that can lead to the collapse of the Tatmadaw or tarnish the image of the Tatmadaw,
   (f) not to give any talks or take organizing measures that can lead to conflicts or harm the dignity or moral conduct in connection with racism, or religion or the affairs of an individual or community,
   (g) not to abuse religion for political ends,
   (h) not to give any talks that can harm peaceful pursuit of school education,
   (i) not to give any talks that can discourage service personnel from performing their duties or to abet them to stage protests against the government.
7. If a political party breaches any of the prohibitions in this notification, or any of the principles or provisions enumerated in the permit, action will be taken against the party in accordance with the existing laws as well as the Political Parties Registration Law.
8. It is hereby announced that in presenting their policies, stances and work programmes on radio and TV to canvass for votes, political parties shall abide by this notification to ensure that the multiparty democracy general elections due to be held on 7 November 2010 are free and fair ones.

Sd/Thin Soe
Chairman
Union Election Commission

Acer Showroom and Service Centre opened in Mandalay

Opening of Acer Showroom and Service Centre in progress at No. A3, between 78th street and 32nd x 33rd street in Chanayethazan Township.—NNA

Nay Pyi Taw, 14 Sept—Shwe Lamin Nagar Co Ltd opened Acer Showroom and Service Centre at No. A3, between 78th street and 32nd x 33rd street, Chanayethazan Township on 9 September.

Chairman U Teza Win of Mandalay Region Computer Entrepreneurs Association, General Manager Mr Alan Chiang of Acer Computer Co Ltd and Managing Director U Soe Win Aung of Shwe Lamin Nagar Co Ltd opened the showroom and service centre. To mark the opening of the show room, Acer products were sold at special discount prices at 2010 Exhibition held in Mandalay City Hall from 10 to 12 September.—NNA
Construction of Myitkyina-Waingmaw-Bhamo railroad section launched in Waingmaw

NAY PYI TAW, 13 Sept—A ceremony to start construction of Myitkyina-Waingmaw-Bhamo railroad section on Myitkyina-Waingmaw-Bhamo-Momeik-Kyaukme-Hsipaw-Laikha-Namsang railroad was held at the yard, where Waingmaw railway station will be built, in Ward-4 of Waingmaw Township, Myitkyina District, Kachin State on 12 September.

Deputy Minister for Rail Transportation U Pe Than gave a report on the National Railroad Network projects and plans for Myitkyina-Waingmaw-Bhamo railroad section.

Minister for Rail Transportation U Aung Min, Chairman of Kachin State Peace and Development Council Commander of Northern Command Brig-Gen Zeyar Aung delivered addresses.

Minister for Communications, Posts and Telegraphs U Thein Zaw explained regional development tasks being undertaken by the State.

The commander, the ministers and the deputy minister inspected earthworks for Myitkyina-Waingmaw-Bhamo railroad section and the site for construction of Waingmaw station.

The Myitkyina-Waingmaw-Bhamo railroad section will be 108 miles long and it will have 21 railway stations, four bridges between 100 feet and 180 feet long, four bridges between 180 feet and 500 feet long, one above-500 feet long bridge and many small bridges.

Simultaneously, the Momeik-Kyaukme-Hsipaw-Laikha-Namsang railroad section has started its construction tasks.

On 12 September morning, the commander, the ministers and the deputy minister looked into the yard of Nankway Station where Deputy Minister U Pe Than reported on seeking of alignment for the railroad section and the site for construction of Ayeyawady Bridge. The minister gave necessary instructions and viewed the station yard and the alignment for the Myitkyina-Waingmaw-Bhamo railroad section.

They also inspected the site for construction of Ayeyawady Bridge near Shwehset Ward in Myitkyina and left necessary instructions.—MNA

Coord meeting held in Yaksawk Township of Shan State

NAY PYI TAW, 14 Sept—A coordination meeting between members of Shan State Subcommission, and Yaksawk Township Subcommissions members and wards and village-tracts subcommissions members was held at Yathawadi Hall in Yaksawk Township on 9 September.

Chairman Dr Tun Aye with speech by Chairman U Pwint of Shan State Subcommission.

At the meeting, subcommission members explained compilation of eligible voter lists, rules and laws of the election.

Yaksawk Township Subcommission Chairman Dr Tun Aye also explained completion of electoral process, and Shan State Subcommission members replied the queries raised by townships and village-tracts subcommissions members. The attendees then viewed polling booths.

There are 30 wards and village-tracts subcommissions at which 70 polling station officers, 1352 deputy polling station officers and members were assigned duties in Yaksawk Township. Moreover, actions for work guidance courses and compiling of eligible voter lists have been taken.—MNA

Dy Health Minister attends meetings held in Thailand

NAY PYI TAW, 14 Sept—Myanmar delegation led by Deputy Minister for Health Dr Mya Oo and members Director-General Dr Than Zaw, Myint of Medical Science Department and Deputy Director-General Dr Kyi Myint of Health Department, Deputy Director Dr Tin Tun Aung of Medical Science Department arrived back here on 11 September after attending 28th Meeting of Ministers of Countries of WHO South-East Asia Region.—HEALTH

MMA to hold third Central Body meeting

YANGON, 14 Sept—Myanmar Medical Association (Central) has arranged to hold its third Central Body meeting at the hall (B) of MMA, No 249 on Thenbyu Road in Mingala Taungnyunt Township here at 10 am on 2 October (Saturday).

Central Body members from States/Regions have already been invited to the meeting without fail.—MNA

Tanilale lake contributes to greening...

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people from 5 to 30 July this year. Irrigation Department carried out the remaining 3000 feet. After the level of lake's bund has been raised, much water can be retained and stored. With respect to supply of irrigation water to farmlands, head U Maung Maung Win said, “Thanks to the canal and maintenance of these lakes, irrigation water can be adequately supplied to 1832 acres of farmlands in Phyla, Hteekehlse, Dawl-yakhu and Tanilale villages.”

Due to the two lakes, nearby villages will not face shortage of irrigation water and surplus water flows through Dawpawklale and Pakhawdu lakes. Ngwetaung Dam can store much more water than before.

In addition, in order to store much water in wetland of the dam, plans are underway to dig sand and sitl along the canal as soon as possible. Soon, green farmlands can be seen in the region.

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Chinese martial arts master to teach Fijians tai chi

SUNA, 14 Sept—China is sending a martial arts expert to Fiji to teach cabinet ministers in the Pacific island nation’s military regime the slow-motion techniques of tai chi, officials in Suva said on Monday.—INTERNET

Philippine travel sector to grow despite fallout from hostage crisis

MANILA, 14 Sept—Philippine tour operators are confident that the country’s travel industry will continue to grow despite the negative publicity generated by the 23 Aug hostage crisis, Tourism Congress President Alma Jimenez said in a statement Monday.

“No doubt the setbacks are serious and costly for the country and the industry but we remain undaunted that the overall goals that both government and the private sector have set are still achievable,” said Alma Jimenez.

On 23 Aug, disgruntled former police Senior Inspector Filipe Bole hijacked a car with eight tourists in shooting. Tourism department is planning to bring in 3.3 million foreign tourists this year. There are concerns that the number of tourists may decline following the bungled hostage rescue attempt.

But the private sector-led Tourism Congress said it will help the government to achieve this goal. Jimenez said membership of the Tourism Congress are launching marketing campaigns to counter the negative publicity. Aside from spearheading the Philippine Travel Exchange and the Philippine Travel Mart (PTM), private tour operators also held one-on-one business meetings with other travel wholesalers from Europe, North America, South Korea and Southeast Asian countries.

Internet

New Zealand Earthquake Commission receives 44,000 claims

WELLINGTON, 14 Sept—In the week following the 7.1 magnitude earthquake in South Island’s Canterbury Region, more than 44,000 claims for residential property damage have been lodged with the Earthquake Commission. The commission said this number of claims is unprecedented in the state agency’s history. Its insurance manager, Lance Dixon, said staff are first trying to get to the more than 5000 people who have said their houses are uninhabitable or not weatherproof. Dixon said 60 staff are inspecting damaged properties and reinforcements are being brought in from around the country and from overseas to boost the team to more than 400 in coming weeks.

The commission said Canterbury residents who need to make emergency repairs to their quake-damaged homes don’t have to wait for an assessor to inspect the property. Radio New Zealand reported on Sunday. Inspections of buildings in the suburbs of New Brighton are the priority on Sunday as Christchurch civil defence staff continue their door-to-door work to establish how many homes are damaged following last weekend’s earthquake.

Xinhua

S Korea’s Asiana Airlines to offer flight service solely for Chinese tourists

SEOUL, 14 Sept—Asiana Airlines of South Korea will launch a plane exclusively for Chinese tourists visiting the country, in a bid to draw more Chinese tourists after the government’s decision to ease visa restrictions for visitors from China.

According to Asiana Airlines on Monday, it will operate a A320, a new plane that seats 143 passengers, linking Incheon to Jeju Island starting 1 Oct. The new service will be available on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays next month, and after that the company will consider offering the service on a daily basis. With the launch of the new plane, Chinese tourists visiting South Korea will be able to make a direct trip to Jeju Island from Incheon International Airport. Xinhua

British Museum receives $38 million

LONDON, 14 Sept—The British Museum says Lord Sainsbury, the former head of the British supermarket giant, has made the largest single donation to the arts in 25 years. The Conservative peer has donated $38 million to the museum for a new exhibition space and a conservation centre. The Guardian reported Sunday, Sainsbury’s gift is possibly the largest from a living donor since John Paul Getty gave $76 million to the National Gallery in 1985 and $61 million to the British Film Institute in 1985. The Sunday Times reported.

“This is an incredibly important project for the British Museum and has been planned for a long time. This donation is a vital part of the project,” a museum spokeswoman said, describing the gift as “incredibly generous.” Internet
Treasure hunter finds rare antique in Cumbria

London, 14 Sept—A metal detector enthusiast in Cumbria has discovered a rare Roman bronze helmet complete with face-mask. It is believed to be one of only three of its kind to be found in Britain. The helmet would have been worn, possibly by a Roman senator at a sport parade. Described as a “hugely important discovery,” it is now expected to fetch £300,000 at Christie’s Antiquities auction in London on 7 October. The Crosby Garrett Helmet has been named after the hamlet in Cumbria where it was found in a field in May. The treasure hunter who found it has asked to remain anonymous.

Merged United Air to keep Ohio jobs for 5 years

New York, 14 Sept—Merger partners United Airlines and Continental Airlines must maintain jobs at Ohio’s Cleveland Hopkins International Airport (CLE) for at least five more years as part of an agreement with Ohio officials. The merged airline will have to pay damages of up to $20 million should it fall short of its commitments, Ohio Attorney General Richard Cordray said in a statement on Monday.

“Through this contractual agreement, the airlines have committed to working with our office and the city of Cleveland to ensure that CLE remains a viable hub for the foreseeable future,” Cordray said in a statement. United parent UAL Corp. said in May that it would buy Continental in an all-stock deal worth $3.2 billion.

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London, 14 Sept—Cuba has announced radical plans to lay off huge numbers of state employees, to help revive the communist country’s struggling economy.

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5-year-old boy wins Alaska moose calling contest

For 5-year-old Andrew Polasky, being loud has paid off. Andrew was the winner of this weekend’s moose calling contest at the Alaska Zoo in Anchorage.

He lives with his parents, Janessa and Ray, on Elmendorf Air Force Base in Anchorage. He really hasn’t been around moose that much, even though they’re ever-present in Alaska’s largest city. Instead, he’s more used to deer from his native Wisconsin.

So what’s his secret for winning a moose calling contest? His mom says he just likes making a lot of noise, and, she says, “He’s good at it.” For his efforts, Andrew won a calendar, a $25 gift certificate to an Anchorage restaurant — the Moose’s Tooth, of course — and a moose cutout to hang on his wall.

“Ridiculous” fashion around the world

Deputies in Florida had to handcuff a rather unusual suspect — a 7-foot-long alligator. A crossing guard at a Tampa-area school spotted the gator lounging near an elementary school Monday morning around the time children would be walking to school.

As she and three deputies waited for a trap to arrive, the alligator started walking toward the children. Three deputies roped the gator’s neck and tail as the animal rolled and thrashed. Its tail broke off chunks of stucco from a nearby wall.

Deputies later secured the gator’s mouth with electrical tape and handcuffed its hind legs. Florida Fish and Wildlife officials took custody of the animal until the trapper arrived.

Dad reprimanded for daughter’s bus walk

A British father said he was outraged to be reprimanded by local officials for letting his 7-year-old daughter walk 65 feet alone to catch a school bus. Mark McCullough, 32, of Glenham, England, said he received a letter Friday from Lincolnshire County Council informing him that he must accompany his daughter, Isabelle, to her Normanby-by-Spital Primary School bus stop every day or it will be reported as a “child protection issue,” the Lincolnshire Echo reported Monday.

The letter said the driver of the bus has been helping Isabelle cross Caenby Road when she is dropped off at the end of the day. “It’s more than upsetting, it has made me angry. I am happy for Isabelle to walk from home to the end of the road and, if necessary, cross a country lane and walk home,” McCullough said. “I’m not going to wrap them up in cotton wool,” he said of his children.

Clint Eastwood surprises again with “Hereafter”

Film Festival on Sunday. Opening with startling scenes of a tsunami roaring through a holiday resort, the movie portrays the lives of three people living in London, Paris and San Francisco that ultimately converge.

Matt Damon plays George, a blue-collar worker trying to cope with his unusual gift — a connection to the afterlife. Cecile De France is Marie, a French television journalist who writes a book about a traumatic personal event, and Frankie McLaren plays Marcus, a young boy adrift after a great loss. —Reuters

Wife directs Bollywood star Aamir Khan in latest film

Producer Aamir Kuhn (L) and his wife, director/producer Kiran Rao attend Talent Lab with Aamir Khan during the 35th Toronto International Film Festival.—INTERNET

(California Diaries),” she said at its world premiere in Toronto.

The film features Khan as brooding painter Arun who strikes up a flirtation with an American Indian woman named Shai (Monica Dogra) visiting her family in Mumbai with the city’s swirling laundry district, or dhobi ghat, as the backdrop.

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Car thief foiled by wrong gas

A British court heard an automobile thief was arrested after he put gasoline into a stolen diesel-powered car. Police said Daniel Boxall, 27, of Ramsgate, England, was arrested 12 June along with passenger Richard Lloyd after the $20,000 Audi A4 broke down at the side of a road. This is Kent reported on Monday. Prosecutors said Boxall, who spent three months in jail awaiting trial, stole the keys to the car from a woman’s jacket at a children’s party. Boxall pleaded guilty to aggravated vehicle taking and driving with no insurance. He was given a suspended one-year jail term, as well as a 12-month supervision order and a nine-month drug rehabilitation order. He also was banned from driving for a year.

Toronto, 14 Sept—Bollywood icon Aamir Khan was “nervous” about his wife Kiran Rao’s directing debut, and shocked by her initial refusal to cast him in “Dhobi Ghat” (Mumbai Diaries),” he said at its world premiere in Toronto.

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Creative advertisements!
The 43-year-old was France’s physio during the finals in South Africa and clashed with Evra when the players boycotted a training session because of the expulsion of the previous day of striker Nicolas Anelka for a foul-mouthed tirade at then coach Raymond Domenech.

Duverne, who was also physio to French giants Lyon from 2005-09, and Evra had to be separated by Domenech, with the physio seeing hurling his stop watch away as he stormed off the pitch.

Duverne confirmed to AFP that he had stepped down from his present post after just two months in the job.—AFP

**Real president wants covered Bernabeu**

**MADRID, 14 Sept —** Real Madrid plan to cover their famous Santiago Bernabeu stadium in the heart of the Spanish capital, the club’s president Florentino Perez said on Monday.

The nine-time European champions envisage fitting a roof as part of an extensive upgrade to the venue built in 1947, Perez told Real Madrid’s annual general meeting. “The upgrade must convert the stadium into an icon of sports architecture. We must be leaders in everything, even in our facilities.”

Perez did not reveal when the works to renovate the stadium would begin, saying only that “it will not be easy”.

The stadium, named after a former Real chairman, has undergone several upgrades since it first opened its doors and can now accommodate over 90,000 fans. It attracts about 700,000 tourists each year.—AFP

AC Milan’s Zlatan Ibrahimovic strikes and fails to score a penalty against Cesena.—INTERNET

**Moratti goads Ibra over penalty miss**

Rose, 14 Sept — Inter Milan president Massimo Moratti has stuck the knife into former nerazzurri star Zlatan Ibrahimovic following his nightmare debut for fierce rivals AC Milan. The big Swede recently caused a stir by signing for Milan just a year after leaving Inter for Barcelona. But his first appearance in the red and black of Milan quickly turned sour when he missed a penalty as the rossoneri slumped to a 2-0 defeat at minnows Cesena.

And Moratti was all too pleased to express just what that would mean to Inter fans distraught at their former hero’s defection to their arch rivals. —AFP

**Tseng overtakes Wie to win LPGA NW Arkansas event**

**ROGERS, 14 Sept—** Yani Tseng made four birdies in a crucial five-hole stretch on the back nine en route to a 6-under 67 on Sunday that gave her a third LPGA Tour victory of the year. Tseng, held off Michelle Wie by one stroke in the North-west Arkansas Championship when both players made birdies on the final hole. The victory helped Tseng jump to the top of the Rolex Player of the Year race, and she also is second on the money list. Now, she’s firmly involved in the discussion of who might take over as women’s golf’s next transcendent player after the recent retirements of Annika Sorenstam and Lorena Ochoa.—INTERNET

Yani Tseng poses for a photo with her trophy after winning the LPGA’s Northwest Arkansas.—INTERNET

**Strike negotiations in early phase: Italian football chief**

**ROME, 14 Sept—** Italian Football League president Maurizio Beretta insisted negotiations to avoid a player strike in two weeks are in their early stages following a meeting between the interested parties on Monday.

Last week the Italian Players’ Association (AIC) announced the strike, scheduled for the weekend of September 25-26, after failing to come to an agreement with clubs on a contract concerning players’ rights.

And following a first round of talks, Beretta said there were some positive signs.

“Today we began the phase of acknowledgement, we’re starting to look more closely at the various points and that’s a positive element,” he told reporters.

“From here to finding a positive solution there’s a lot’s to do, we’re just started.”—INTERNET

**King and Shvedova win US Open women’s doubles**

**NEW YORK, 14 Sept—** Vania King and Yaroslava Shvedova added the US Open women’s doubles title to the Wimbledon crown they won in July here on women’s doubles event. —INTERNET

The US/Kazak duo defeated second seeds Liezel Huber of the United States and Nadia Petrova of Russia 2-6, 6-4, 7-6 (7/4).

The final had been suspended due to rain at a crucial moment of the game on Sunday with King serving to level at 5-5 in the deciding set.

On the resumption a Shvedova forehand winner down the line saved a match point for the sixth seeds and two games later it went down to a tie-breaker.

King and Shvedova opened up an early lead in that and after securing two match points they clinched it with a perfect lob over Petrova.—INTERNET

**Moyes charged by FA**

**LONDON, 14 Sept—** Everton manager David Moyes was charged with misconduct by the Football Association (FA) on Monday after he confronted referee Martin Atkinson following Saturday’s 3-3 draw with Manchester United.

Moyes’s assistant Steve Round has also been charged and the two men have until Thursday to respond to the charge.

Under the FA’s new fast-track procedure, if they accept the charge they will have to pay a standard 8,000 pounds fine.

However, if either denies the charge, a hearing will be held within 10 days. —INTERNET

**Everton manager David Moyes, seen here in August 2010, was charged with misconduct by the Football Association.**—INTERNET

**Duverne’s career takes another twist**

**ARLES, 14 Sept—** Robert Duverne, best known for his heated row with then France captain Patrice Evra during their farcical World Cup campaign, resigned as assistant coach of Ligue 1 tailenders Arles-Avignon on Monday.

Robert Duverne, seen here in August 2010 and who is best known for his heated row with then France captain. —INTERNET

**Liverpool may struggle to make top four**

**LONDON, 14 Sept —** Liverpool goalkeeper Jose Reina admits the Reds may struggle to challenge for a place in the top four of the Premier League while the uncertainty surrounding the club’s ownership drags on.

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**Italian Football Federation president Giancarlo Abete**—INTERNET
**WEATHER**

**Tuesday, 14th September, 2010**

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**Landslide buries car with unknown number of people in east China**

HANGZHOU, 14 Sept—Rescuers are digging through debris to reach people believed to be trapped in a car that was buried in a landslide in east China’s Lishui City, Zhejiang Province, Tuesday. The number of people in the car was unknown, said a rescue spokesman. Two excavators are also working at the scene.

The landslide hit a sector of the Yinchang road, which links Lishui City and neighboring Jinyun County, at about 2:30 pm, the spokesman said. No casualties have yet been reported.

An estimated 2,000 cubic meters of debris covered 80 meters of road below, said the spokesman. The biggest rocks weighed 2 to 3 tonnes and the debris was up to 5 metres deep. —Xinhua

**Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas**

**Photo taken on 13 Sept, 2010 shows the information centre at Tianjin Meijiang Convention Center, main venue of the Annual Meeting of the New Champions, in north China’s Tianjin Municipality.**

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Only with stability and peace will democratization process be successful

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Democracy can be introduced only through constitution

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

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

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Union of Myanmar
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Notification No. 97/2010
6th Waxing of Tawthalin, 1372 ME
(14 September, 2010)
Granting permission to subsist as political parties, and dissolving political parties by revoking registration

1. The Union Election Commission announced with the Notification No.1/2010 dated 18-3-2010 that political parties wishing to stand for multiparty democracy general elections of respective Hluttaws to be held on 7 November 2010 may apply for registration in accord with the law. It also announced with the Notification No.18/2010 dated 9-4-2010 that the following 10 parties that are encompassed by the Article 25 of Political Parties Registration Law may apply to the UEC for continued existence as political parties within 60 days.
   (a) Kokang Democracy and Unity Party
   (b) National Unity Party
   (c) Union Kayin League
   (d) Union Pa-O National Organization
   (e) Mro or Khami National Solidarity Organization (MKNSO)
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The right to canvass on radio and TV

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2. The 37 political parties have yet to be granted permission to present their stances and work programmes on radio and TV till 31 October 2010 to canvass for votes for the multiparty democracy general elections. If a political party wishes to canvass for votes on radio and TV, the chairman or secretary concerned has to apply with the manuscript for permission to the Union Election Commission at least seven days ahead of the date. The application must not exceed seven A4-size pages.

3. The Union Election Commission, in coordination with related departments and organizations, will designate the date and timetable for each political party in order that political parties take turns canvassing for votes on radio and TV.

4. After scrutinizing the manuscripts as necessary, the Union Election Commission, in coordination with the Ministry of Information, has the right to:—

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