President U Thein Sein receives member of State Council and Minister of Public Security of PRC and party

NAV Pyi Taw, 10 July—President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar U Thein Sein received a goodwill delegation led by member of the State Council and Minister of the Public Security of the People’s Republic of China Mr Meng Jianzhu and party at the Credentials Hall of the Presidential Palace, here, at 10 am today.

Together with President U Thein Sein at the call were Union Minister for Home Affairs Lt-Gen Ko Ko, Union Minister for Defence Lt-Gen Hla Min, Union Minister for Border Affairs Lt-Gen Thein Hlay, Union Minister at President Office U Soe Maung, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs U Maung Myint and Director-General of Government Office U Tin Myo Kyi. Member of State Councillor and Minister of the Public Security and party were accompanied by Chinese Ambassador to Myanmar Mr Li Junhua.

At the call, they held discussion on promotion and strengthening of comprehensive strategic cooperative partnership between the two nations, more cooperation in prevalence of law and order and security measures in Mekong region, cooperation in peace and stability of border area and anti-narcotic drives and friendly cooperation for mutual interests.—MNA

Speaker of Pyithu Hluttaw receives member of State Council and Minister of Public Security of PRC

NAV Pyi Taw, 10 July—Thura U Shwe Mann, Speaker of Pyithu Hluttaw, received a delegation led by Mr Meng Jianzhu, Member of State Council and Minister of the Public Security of the People’s Republic of China at Zabuthiri Hall of Hluttaw Complex, here, at 3.10 pm today.

At the call, both sides cordially discussed developments of Pauk-Phaw relation, standing rightly from the side of Myanmar in international affairs, cooperation in socio-economic development of two peoples, further strengthening of cooperation in fighting against transnational crime and elimination of narcotic drugs and matters of promoting mutual cooperation between two Hluttaws.

After the call, they posed for a documentary photo. Present at the call together with the Speaker of Pyithu Hluttaw were Public Affairs Management Committee Chairman U Maung Oo, International Relations Committee Chairman Thura U Aung Ko, representatives of Pyithu Hluttaw Committee and Commission and officials of Hluttaw Office. The Chinese delegation was accompanied by Chinese Ambassador to Myanmar Mr Li Junhua and embassy staff.—MNA

Friendly basketball matches scheduled

YANGON, 10 July—Under the arrangement of Ministry of Sports and Myanmar Basketball Federation, US Vision Sports women’s basketball team will play friendly matches against youth counterpart of Myanmar Basketball Federation at Aung San gymnasium on 16 and 18 July, MNA
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Four conditions

Normally we can say we are successful when we achieve what we want. And when we are recognized and well known by a lot of people we carry we are famous. So, success and fame are everyone’s dream and wish. But unfortunately, not every dream comes true and not every wish is fulfilled.

Sometimes people turn to greed as a remedy for success and fame. But greed is an unstoppable intense and selfish desire sometimes hosting anger a feeling of hostility that eventually lead to tragic miseries when delusion is added to the mind already tainted with greed and anger.

In fact, most people embark on things they want to have in their lives. They set out to enhance their financial and influential power, improve their lives and achieve success or fame or both. Unfortunately, many of them are unsuccessful. They finish up continually running in circles, working harder, longer hours all in a fruitless effort to reach their goals. Some end up with a life that is completely out of balance, full of constant worry and stress.

Here we need self-confidence as it is of vital importance for the success and fame. Having the knowledge to express our self is helpful for achieving self-confidence. In addition we must have physical qualities for we should be fit and healthy and it is one the main requirements of success and fame.

According to Lord Buddha, there are four conditions for achieving success and fame, and they are: patirupadasavaya or living in a place which is favorable for the attainment of prosperity and merit; sappuripassanaya or association with wise and noble persons; atassammapanidhi or having accumulated good deeds done previously. Of these, the last condition is vital because being endowed with it will contribute towards fulfillment of the remaining conditions.

Myanmar divers win two medals in 3rd Singapore Invitational Diving 2012

YANGON, 10 July—Myanmar divers won a silver and a bronze medals in the 3rd Singapore Invitational Diving 2012 held in Singapore from 6 to 8 July.

Zwe Thein secured the silver medal at the U-14 5-metre Platform and Naung Lay won the bronze medal in the 10-metre Platform contests.

Besides, in the Team Free Roving of the Synchronized Swimming contest of 1st ASEAN Swimming Championship 2012 from 13 to 18 June, Kay Zin Win, Nann Kham Myat Chu, Thant Thant Su San and Thiri Nandar won bronze medals. —MNA

Citizenship scrutiny cards issued in Okpo Township

OKPO, 10 July—In line with Moe Pweint-3 Plan, Okpo Township Immigration and National Registration Department of Thayawady District presented citizenship scrutiny cards at the monastery in Chaunggwa Village of Okpo Township on 8 July.

At the ceremony, Region Hluttaw representative U Hla Myint handed over the cards to Chaunggwa Village administrator U Thein Hayk. —Township Immigration

Nav Pwe Taw, 10 July—Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Vice-Senior General Min Aung Hlaing received, member of State Council and Minister of Public Security of PRC

Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Vice-Senior General Min Aung Hlaing received Mr Meng Jianzhu, member of State Council and Minister of Public Security of the People’s Republic of China, at Zeyathiri Beikman, here, this noon.

At the call, Vice-Senior General Min Aung Hlaing said that both Myanmar and China had long been the good neighbours in accord with five principles of peaceful co-existence and farsightedness of leaders of the two countries.

The goodwill visit of him would strengthen further friendships between the two countries.

Myanmar Army was making constant efforts to ensure peace and stability and border areas development and trying to get rid of narcotic drug and illegal smuggling problems in border areas with might and main. In this regard, PRC was urged to make cooperation in it. Thanks to the bilateral cooperation between the two countries, Mekong delta region enjoys peace and stability. For perpetuation of already-achieved peace and stability, the both countries needed to make cooperation.

After that, Mr Meng Jianzhu said that the praised Myanmar army and took pride in Myanmar army’s strenuous efforts to bring about peace and stability of Mekong basin. Bringing peace and stability to Mekong delta region showed the benevolence of Myanmar government, army and people towards Chinese government, Chinese army and people. China would like to join hands with Myanmar to cooperate the peace and stability of border areas. China would make cooperation in getting rid of narcotic drugs problems and illegal smuggling issues. Both countries would cooperate in promoting already-prevailed peace and stability of Mekong delta region.

Also present at the call together with the Vice-Senior General were General Hla Hla Htay Win of Defence Services Commander-in-Chief Office, Lt-Gen Aung Than Htut, Lt-Gen Kyaw Swe and senior military officers of Commander-in-Chief Office (Army). The Chinese Minister was accompanied by Deputy Secretary General of the State Council Mr Wang Yongqing, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs Mr Xie Hongsheng, Deputy Minister of Public Security Mr Meng Hongwei, the Chinese Ambassador to Myanmar and officials.

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NAY PYI TAW, 10 July—Deputy Minister for Culture Daw Sanda Khin on 8 July inspected ancient cultural edifices Phowin hill in Yinnabwin Township of Sagaing Region.

She urged officials to preserve the region as the cultural zone after taking various possible situations into consideration, to conduct surveys to set the area of the zone and not to burden the local people.

She then met the deputy commissioner of Monywa District, local authorities, townsendars, members of Pagoda Board of Trustees and local people at the Office of the Board of Trustees. She said the hill is the evidence that could reveal the cultural standards, pride and long history of the country and its people. She explained that the ministry is preserving those evidences, enacting laws and rules. Preservation measures are being taken with the fund of the State depending on the list of priorities. She called for cooperation of the local people.

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Russia mourns flood victims, local officials blamed

Postmen in the badly damaged town of 57,000 people went from house to house, handing out sums of 10,000 roubles ($300), with the promise of more compensation to come. Many people were salvaging what they could from their sodden homes. “Nothing is left. We are like tramps,” said Ovsei Torosyan, 30. “I bought all the furniture and electrical goods on credit and still have to finish paying for them but they have all gone.”

Putin, who was criticised for responding too slowly to natural disasters early in his first spell as president, quickly flew to Krymsk on Saturday to show he was in control and ordered an inquiry into the high death toll.

Cameron faces major rebellion over Lords reform

The Liberal Democrats, which formed part of Cameron’s coalition government, have warned that the proposed reform of the Lords was “unworkable”.

Cameron has announced plans to reform parliament’s upper chamber, the House of Lords. The Conservative Party also plans to reform the Lords, although there is no official policy on the issue. The coalition deal states that at least 70 Conservative peers must be appointed to the Lords to give the government a majority.

The Prime Minister David Cameron speaks at the Farnborough Airshow 2012 in southern England on 9 July—Reuters

BRUSSELS, 10 July—Euro zone ministers agreed early on Tuesday to grant Spain an extra year until 2014 to reach its deficit reduction targets in exchange for further budget savings and set the parameters of an aid package for Madrid’s ailing banks.

The decisions were aimed at preventing the currency area’s fourth largest economy, mired in a worsening recession, from needing a full state bailout which would stretch the limits of Europe’s rescue fund and plunge it deeper into a crisis. The Eurogroup supports the recently adopted Commission recommendation to extend the deadline for the correction of the excessive deficit in Spain by one year to 2014, ministers said in a statement.

No final figure was agreed for aid to ailing Spanish lenders, weighed down by bad debts due to a housing crash and recession, but the EU has set a maximum of 100 billion euros (79.26 billion pounds) and some 10 billion euros would be available by the end of July if there was an urgent need. A final loan agreement will be signed on or around 20 July, Eurogroup chairman Jean-Claude Juncker told a news conference.

In one key decision closely watched by investors, ministers agreed that once a single European banking supervisor is set up next year, Spanish banks could be directly recapitalised from the eurozone rescue fund without requiring a state guarantee. —Reuters

EU gives Spain more time on deficit, sets bank aid

Sword-wielding man shot dead in Malaysia

Some residents say the wall of water that swept through Krymsk was so high that the gates of a nearby reservoir must have been opened. Emergency Minister Vladimir Puchkov has dismissed these suggestions but he said mistakes were made in failing to ensure residents were warned quickly enough. A criminal investigation has been launched. “According to a preliminary appraisal, warnings were made but unfortunately not all the work was carried out properly.” —Reuters

Local residents walk along a street, damaged by floods, in the town of Krymsk in Krasnodar region, southern Russia, on 8 July, 2012. —Reuters

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Singapore to relax, but not remove, death penalty: Deputy PM

Malaysian police examine the “Samurai sword used by a man in Putrajaya outside Kuala Lumpur on 9 July, 2012. —Reuters

RUSSIA, 10 July—Russia’s emergencies minister accused local officials on Monday of not doing enough to prevent 171 deaths in weekend floods that raised new doubts about the country’s readiness for natural disasters under President Vladimir Putin.

Putin declared a day of national mourning on Monday and relatives were preparing to bury their dead in Krymsk, the southern mountain town that was worst hit by floods that caught many of the victims unawares as they slept on Friday night. Refrigerated trucks held the discoloured bodies of some of the victims behind a hospital in Krymsk, where survivors gathered to identify the last of the dead.

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**US scientist: Ocean acidity major threat to reefs**

SYDNEY, 10 July — Oceans’ rising acid levels have emerged as one of the biggest threats to coral reefs, acting as the “osteoporosis of the sea” and threatening everything from food security to tourism livelihoods, the head of a US scientific agency said on Monday. The speed by which the oceans’ acid levels has risen caught scientists off-guard, with the problem now considered to be climate change’s “equally evil twin,” National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration chief Jane Lubchenco told The Associated Press.

“We’ve got sort of the perfect storm of stressors from multiple places really hammering reefs around the world,” said Lubchenco, who was in Australia to speak at the 13th International Coral Reef Symposium in the northeast city of Cairns, near the Great Barrier Reef. “It’s a very serious situation.” Oceans absorb excess carbon dioxide in the atmosphere, increasing sea acidity. Scientists are worried about how that increase will affect sea life, particularly reefs, as higher acid levels make it tougher for coral skeletons to form. Lubchenco likened ocean acidification to osteoporosis — a bone-thinning disease — because researchers are concerned it will lead to the deterioration of reefs.

Scientists initially assumed that the carbon dioxide absorbed by the water would be sufficiently diluted as the oceans mixed shallow and deeper waters. But most of the carbon dioxide and the subsequent chemical changes are being concentrated in surface waters, Lubchenco said. “And those surface waters are changing much more rapidly than initial calculations have suggested,” she said. “It’s yet another reason to be very seriously concerned about the amount of carbon dioxide that is in the atmosphere now and the ocean.”

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**Japanese inventor hopes “ro-butt” can develop communication**

TOKYO, 10 July — The mechanical buttocks may look like a new toy for the world of Japanese robotics, but they may actually mark a new leap into the future of humanoid development. Inventor Nobuyuki Takahashi programmed his creation, called “SHIRI” or “butt” in Japanese, to respond with different emotions to different human touches. Takahashi hopes to use the proto-type technology to develop responses which can be applied to other part of a robot’s body, in particular the face, to help with non-verbal communication.

He decided to develop his technology with a rear end because a bottom’s movements are large and make it easier to convey emotion. “I wanted to try and use a butt to reflect emotions — fear, joy and relaxation,” the 24-year-old Takahashi, a graduate student at the Tokyo University of Electro-Communication, told Reuters. “Robots are able to communicate with voices but have largely lacked the sort of non-verbal, physical responses that help power much of human communication. Takahashi hopes his technology can overcome that. To get a robot to show fear, Takahashi would use a hit, or in the case of the buttocks, a spank. “Fear is a very human — very living — emotion, so it’s expressed with force, with a spank,” he said, speaking inside a black tent designed to keep light from damaging the silicon-coated invention. The robot bottom responds to a hit with quivering. A slow wobble is its default state, the sign for relaxation, while a gentle stroke brings clenches that Takahashi said signal pleasure — Reuters.

**Biodiversity survey launched in Tibetan forest**

LHASA, 10 July — A group of biologists and photographers have started a 15-day biodiversity survey in the virgin forest of southwest China’s Tibet autonomous region. The team will use cameras to record endangered species in Lulang Forest of Nyinfei prefecture in the southeast of Tibet, an area known for its rich biodiversity including all major vegetation of the northern hemisphere.

“We will trek to and around the Segrila Pass to take photos and notes of the plateau area’s vegetation, birds, insects, amphibians, reptiles and mammals,” explained Xu Juan, head of the expedition team, on Sunday. Xu said he hoped their findings would prove helpful for the local nature reserve administration and forestry authorities in their future conservation efforts. The survey was co-sponsored by two non-governmental organizations, the Biodiversity Image Survey to Tibet and the Images Bio-diversity Expedition. The two organizations carried out three similar biodiversity surveys in Tibet in 2010 to 2011. They recorded more than 850 wildlife species in the Yarlung Zangbo River Grand Canyon and took photos of rare species including Zo�topus medoensis, a rarely seen insect, Asiatice wildcats and red gorillas.—Xinhua

**Dark matter bridges galaxy clusters**

NEW YORK, 10 July — Dark matter is a big deal. The mysterious stuff makes up about a quarter of the universe, five times more than the ordinary matter of atoms and molecules. But we can’t see it. We can’t touch it. It’s just out there.

But it’s recognized by gravity. Big objects, such as galaxies, feel its gravitational tug. Galaxies such as our own Milky Way are believed to reside inside huge dark matter halos. But massive clusters of galaxies ought to be strung along filaments of dark matter, like pearls on a chain.

But those filaments are awfully hard to detect, being dark and all. Now a team of researchers reports identifying a dark matter filament joining two galaxy clusters. The astronomers used the technique called gravitational lensing to find the giant but invisible structure. They measured how light from the distant universe gets rerouted slightly by massive objects, like it’s passing through a lens. Sure enough, there was an invisible bridge of massive stuff — dark matter — linking the galaxy clusters.—Internet

**RIM marketing boss sees silver lining in BlackBerry delay**

ONTARIO, 10 July — A delay in the launch of the new generation of BlackBerrys until next year will allow RIM to focus on the revamped smartphones once they hit store shelves, Research In Motion Ltd’s new marketing chief said on Monday.

In the latest upbeat salvo in response to the embattled company, Frank Boulben told Reuters in a telephone interview on the eve of the company’s annual meeting, “We will have much more integration and focus and ability to leverage our carriers.” RIM, which has hemorrhaged $2 billion in losses since Apple Inc’s iPhone and devices using Google Inc’s Android software, has launched an unprecedented drive to win back lost faith in its products over the last week, including a radio appearance by CEO Thorsten Heins where he said “nothing wrong” with the company.

Heins also published an opinion piece in The Globe and Mail newspaper in which he said the new BlackBerrys, which the company insists will be better than anything now on the market, would “empower people as never before.” “We do not believe RIM is a company at the end,” he wrote. “RIM is a company at the beginning of a turnaround that we expect will once again change the way people communicate.” RIM, whose BlackBerry devices were long the must-have gadgets for lawyers, politicians and the business community, had been without a chief marketing officer for over a year until Boulben joined a month ago.—Reuters

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Flagging world economy relying on unstable energy boost

LONDON, 10 July — As storm clouds gather over the global economy again at midyear, lower energy prices are one of the few flickering rays of light on the horizon — even if they too look increasingly ephemeral. Economic activity and business and household confidence around the globe has tailed off badly again in the second quarter. The headwinds remain fierce, from imponderables related to the latest waves of the euro crisis and European banks’ retreatment to US fiscal uncertainty and a spluttering of growth engines in the big emerging economies.

Friday’s lukewarm US employment report for June and nagging doubts about the efficacy of latest measures to insulate the ailing euro zone have darkened the skies yet again. The International Monetary Fund last week flagged an imminent cut to its 3.5 percent 2012 global growth forecast, which is likely to at least reverse its modest 0.2 percentage point April upgrade.

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Fiscal uncertainty and a spluttering of growth engines in the wake of the global financial crisis and European banks’ retrenchment to US oil is clearly one of the few hopes, even though everything is contingent on it being sustained and there are so many risks to that. Even then, you have to wonder whether any benefits just get swamped by relentless deleveraging,” said Neil MacKinnon, economist at Russian bank VTB Capital.

IMF’s Lagarde urges caution over protectionism

JAKARTA, 10 July — IMF Managing Director Christine Lagarde on Tuesday said the global economic situation was worrisome and urged countries not to engage in protectionism.

Lagarde described as “quite alarming” a report published by the World Trade Organization in June which said the world’s trading nations were succumbing to protectionism in the wake of the global financial crisis.

Lagarde was speaking during a visit to Indonesia, Southeast Asia’s largest economy, which she said was doing well citing growth above 6 percent and low public debt.

Avocados and olive oil may boost success of fertility treatments

NEW YORK, 10 July — For women trying to get pregnant, a diet rich in foods typically eaten as part of the Mediterranean diet, including sunflower oil and nuts and through IVF treatments, a new study finds that eating avocados and olive oil might boost their chances of success.

Dr Jorge Chavarro and colleagues at the Harvard School of Public Health in the US looked at how intake of different types of fats affected success of IVF treatment in 147 women, mostly in their 30s. Findings revealed that diets rich in foods typically eaten as part of the Mediterranean diet, including sunflower oil and nuts and through IVF treatments, a new study finds that eating avocados and olive oil might boost their chances of success.

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Expensive, newer stents not better for all patients

NEW YORK, 10 July — Many heart patients get newer, pricier stents inserted during artery-cleaning procedures, even if it’s not clear they’d be worse off with more basic models, new study suggests.

Along with being more costly, so-called drug-eluting stents require patients to take aspirin and other blood-thinning drugs for a longer period of time after their procedure — which may mean they have to put off future elective surgeries because of bleeding risks, according to one researcher who worked on the report.

Some patients having a stent inserted are at high risk of having that stent clogged up, requiring a repeat procedure. In those patients — such as people with diabetes or narrow arteries — drug-eluting drugs can help prevent build-up in and around the stent and avoid future surgeries, said Dr Robert Yeh, cardiologist from Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston. But in people whose stents probably won’t get clogged up to begin with, old-fashioned bare-metal stents can work just as well at a much lower price, he said.

“Non-diabetic patients who need a repeat stent insertion?” For the new study, Yeh and his colleagues consulted data on 1.3 million patients having a stent inserted between 2004 and 2010 in the United States. Almost three-quarters of patients at very low risk of needing a repeat stent-inserting procedure received drug-eluting stents. — Reuters

From a vial of mom’s blood, a fetus’s entire genome

NEW YORK, 10 July — The days of pregnant women having a 3-inch-long (8-centimeter-long) hollow needle jabbed into their abdomens may be numbered. For the second time in a month, scientists have announced that a simple blood test, rather than more invasive tests such as amniocentesis, can determine a fetus’s genetic make-up, identifying mutations causing any of about 3,000 inherited disorders that arise from a glitch in a single gene, such as cystic fibrosis.

Unlike a procedure unveiled last month, the one announced on Wednesday in the journal Nature can be done without knowing who the father is, much less obtaining a sample of his DNA. Since paternity is unknown or incorrect in an estimated 3 to 10 percent of births in the United States, the father-free method promises to make fetal DNA sequencing in an estimated 3 to 10 percent of births in the United States, which may mean they have to either accept that of the parents was the one who fathered the child, or seek a legal test.
DHF preventive measures taken in Insein Township

YANGON, 10 July—As part of efforts for taking preventive measures against Dengue and carrying out environmental conservation, the sanitation tasks were undertaken on 3rd Avungmingala Street in Taungthuwn Ward of Insein Township in Yangon Region on 7 July morning.

At the activities, Township Administrator U Tin Naing Soe, Chairperson of Township Maternal and Child Welfare Association Daw Tin Oo and party, members of Township Health Committee, Township Red Cross Society, Administrator of Taungthuwn Ward U Saw Tamala Wah and members of social organization participated in carrying out sanitation tasks and fumigation.

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Mandalay Stadium under construction with 50 per cent completion

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Preparations are being made to establish an urban development zone near the new stadium with the facilities of car park, supermarket, shopping mall, advanced hotel and housings.

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Action to be taken against dull number plates, fake number plates

YANGON, 10 July—Action will be taken against those who use fake number plates and dull number plates at the vehicles.

According to an official of Yangon Region Traffic Rules Enforcement Supervisory Committee (Central), action will be taken against the vehicles running in Yangon without installation of real number plates issued by Directorate of Road Administration, with plastic number plates and other fake number plates in various sizes.

Moreover, action will be taken against the vehicles with number places in dull and damage but these plates were issued by the Directorate of Road Administration. As such, the vehicle owners are to improve their number plates, issued by the department. If not, they will be put under action.—Kyemon

Field trips made to villages for issuance of SCs

NAI PYI TAW, 10 July—Under the arrangements of Mandalay Region Immigration and National Registration Department under the Ministry of Immigration and Population, the issuance of citizenship scrutiny cards was undertaken in Thainpin Village of Deegokkon Village-tract of Kyankpadung Township, Myingyan District, on 7 July.

The staff of the department issued citizenship scrutiny cards and household registration to the local people.

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Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker receives Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for the Department of Energy and Climate Change and Chairman of UK Trade and Investment’s Business Ambassadors’ Group

**NAV Pyi Taw, 10 July—**Speaker of Pyithu Hluttaw Thura U Shwe Mann received a delegation led by Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for the Department of Energy and Climate Change and Chairman of UK Trade and Investment’s Business Ambassadors’ Group Mr Lord Marland at Zaghphani Hall of Hluttaw Complex, here, this morning.

Present at the call together with the Speaker of Pyithu Hluttaw were chairmen of Pyithu Hluttaw Committees, secretaries, members and officials from Hluttaw.

At the call, the Speaker held discussion on political and economic reforms. Both sides had a cordial discussion on cooperation in bilateral economic matters, financial matters and trade, and strengthening bilateral ties between the two countries.

**Information Ministry contributes to greening of mother earth**

**NAV Pyi Taw, 10 July—**Union Minister for Information and for Culture U Kyaw Hsan attended and planted commemorative saplings at monsoon tree planting ceremonies of Printing and Publishing Enterprise, News and Periodicals Enterprise and Myanmar Radio and Television under the Ministry of Information this morning.

Union Minister U Kyaw Hsan and Deputy Information Minister U Soe Win planted peacock flower saplings at the tree planting of Printing and Publishing Enterprise in front of Nay Pyi Taw Printing House in Nay Pyi Taw Zeyathiri Township at 7 am.

The Union minister, the deputy minister and party then encouraged the staff participating in the ceremony. At the ceremony, 150 teak saplings, 350 ironwood saplings, 250 mahogany saplings and 250 peacock flower saplings were planted.

The Union minister and deputy minister also planted starflower and peacock flower saplings at NPE tree planting ceremony in Nay Pyi Taw Taw Daily compound.

They then viewed and encouraged the staff who were planting saplings.

A total of 900 saplings including 100 starflower saplings, 100 mahogany saplings, 100 Eugenia saplings, 100 starflower saplings, 100 teak saplings, 100 tamarind saplings and other 100 ornamental saplings were planted at the ceremony.

At fingerling releasing and tree planting ceremony of MRTV, the Union minister, the deputy minister, the director-general and managing directors released fingerlings into the pond No (2) in MRTV compound in Tatkon Township.

A total of 5500 fingerlings were released at the ceremony.

The Union minister and the deputy minister planted Eugenia trees at MRTV tree planting ceremony.

The Union minister and party then viewed the staff planting trees.

At the ceremony, a total of 1500 Eugenia trees were planted. The department and enterprises of the ministry today planted 3400 trees and released 5500 fingerlings.

**Kayah State High Court honours outstanding students of staff**

**NAV Pyi Taw, 10 July—**A ceremony to honour outstanding students of staff members of Kayah State High Court was held at the office this morning.

Kayah State Chief Justice U Kyaw Lin Maung gave a speech and presented K 100,000 to Ma Nay Chi Lin, sixth distinution winning student, daughter of Branch Clerk Daw Nandar Win of Kayah State High Court.—MNA

**Monsoon tree planting ceremony held in Ottarathiri Tsp**

**NAV Pyi Taw, 10 July—**Monsoon tree planting ceremony was held near Ngagiaik dam of Mingon Village-tract in Nay Pyi Taw Ottarathiri Township here this morning. Members of Nay Pyi Taw Council U Myint Swe and U Saw Hla planted the Gantgaw (Mesua ferrea) saplings at the ceremony.

Assistant Director U Tet Toe of Nay Pyi Taw Forest Department and Township Administrator U Ye Myat Tin, township level officials, members of social organization and village/ward administrators and locals participated in the tree planting.

**Myanmar Karatedo team leaves for Uzbekistan**

**YANGON, 10 July—**A five-member delegation comprising referees U Zaw Myint, U Tun Zaw, U Aung Htin Kyaw and U Saw Min Naing led by President of Myanmar Karatedo Federation Dr Win Zaw left here by air on 7 July to participate in the qualifier for the Asian referee grading examination for the 11th Asian Senior Karatedo Contest and the Asian Karatedo Federation Congress to be held in Tashkent of Uzbekistan from 9 to 17 July.

They were seen off at Yangon International Airport by General Secretary U Soe Win, executives and relatives.

The president of the federation will attend the Asia Karatedo Federation Congress for talking about availability of advanced coach for Myanmar Karatedo team. Four Myanmar Karatedo referees will sit for the grading discharge to duties as referees.—MNA

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**Myanmar delegation observe companies, industrial zones in Tokyo of Japan**

**YANGON, 10 July—**A Myanmar delegation led by Union Minister for Commerce U Win Myint on 9 July morning observed Panasonic Center, small- and medium-scale industries at OTA Industrial Zone and Mitsu Co, Ltd in Tokyo and discussed facts about to running of those companies and extension of businesses.

The Union minister met president and officials of Japan Chambers of Commerce and Industry and discussed extension of trade and investment sectors. The Union Minister also discussed extension of financial matters in Myanmar with executive directors group from Japan Bank for International (JIBC).—MNA

**Cash and kind donation continues for locals of Rakhine State**

**YANGON, 10 July—**Cash and foodstuff donation ceremony for locals of Rakhine State with the sense of convenience livelihood of their lives who lost their homes and possessions due to various reasons recently occurred riots and suffered bitter pains was held at Mayakalar Hall of Fire Services Department (Head Office) in Mayagond Town of Yangon Region this morning.

On the occasion, Shwe Thazin family and staff from Shwe Pyi Tha Industrial Zone-1 donated 100 Fiji detergent cream box worth K 2,100,000, with the leadership of Myanmar Thabin Aziyaw, Mawlamyine Township Thabin Aziyaw K 560,000 and twelve bales of clothes worth K 1,200,000, staff from Impact Co, Ltd three bales of clothes Dr Than Aung-Daw Khin Thein San and family at No (B-512) Thiri Yeikthya Housing K 200,000, U Khin Maung Htay (Shan State High Court Judge) Daw Khin Khin Aye (Industrial Corp Development Enterprise) K 100,000, in memory of late U Than Tun, wife Daw Myint Myint Than of FMI Housing from Htinethaya Township K 50,000, U Aye Than, daughters Ma Ei Yamin Soe Naing and Ma Khin Thu Thu Win (Institute of Education) three bales of clothes, Ma Thet Hur Swet family K 10,000 and two bales of clothes, U Martin Hla Maung-Daw Aye Aye Sein and family 32 set of children’ wear Director-General U Tin Moe of Fire Services Department and officials accepted the donation and returned the certificates of honour to the donors. Up to date, a total of donation amounted to K 2,420,036,816.—MNA

**Inter-BEHS U-15 Volleyball Tournament starts**

**YANGON, Inter-BEHS U-15 Volleyball Tournament starts—**Aryawady Region Sports and Physical Education Department Head’s Cup Inter-Basic Education High School U-15 Men’s Volleyball Championship in Pathein District kicked off on 7 July at Kothein sports ground in Pathein. Region Social Affairs Minister U San Maung addressed the opening.

The games commence from 7 to 29 July in being participated by 13 BEHSs from seven townships in the district.—MNA
Pyithu Hluttaw meeting continues for fifth day...

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To decrease the traffic accidents, traffic signs and signboards had been established, reflectors had been installed at turnouts and solar-power lamp posts had been erected and road works were carried out to improve the road. Measures were being taken to prevent the cattle on the road while local people were being organized to participate in the drive for the road safety.

Ministry of Construction had instructed the BOT companies which were working in road sections of the Yangon-Mandalay Highway on which over 2,500 cars were passing daily to construct the 48-foot-in-width four-lane roads. Depending on the average vehicles on the road, the expansion of the road would be carried out, and still, there was no plan to construct two-lane road including a lane for motorcycles and bicycles.

Regarding the third question, he replied that the Public Works of the Ministry of Construction had spend K 500 million allocated from the budget in the 2012-2013 fiscal year on improving three slopes along the road, construction of a new axis from the mile post No. 24/5 to Mile Post No. 27/5 and from the Mile Post No. 28/0 to Mile Post No. 31/4 and on carrying mining from the Mile Post No. 44/6 to 56/0 and extension of the road to reach the 34-foot-in-width. Besides, plans were underway to construct 15 conduit pipes and one stone wall along the road. During this rainy season, the road was being maintained not to stop transportation along the road and road works would be carried out in the opening season to improve the road.

Deputy Minister for Health Dr Win Myint replied to the question asking whether there is a plan to carry out major repairing of Maibin Township Hospital (25-bed) by U Myint Hlaing of Maibin

Constituency, another question asking whether there is a plan to build a station hospital on opposite bank of Kyi Kyinmyine Constituency and assign part time duties to doctors there by U Than Soe of Kyinmyine Constituency and the next one question asking whether there is a plan to open a rural health centre in Kyi Kyinmyine Village by U Aung Tun Thu of Maubin Constituency.

With regard to the first question, at present, there is no plan to carry out major repairing for roofs of the Maibin Township Hospital in Shan State (North), and priority will be given to major repairing of the hospital depending on the allowed fund of the Ministry of Health in 2013-2014 fiscal year.

Concerning the second question, he replied that if the necessary factors are completed for opening of a station hospital on the opposite bank of Kyinmyine Township of Yangon Region, the head of township Health Department is to submit it to the head of Yangon Region Health Department. If the application is to be submitted together with the recommendation of the head of region Health Department, the Ministry of Health will adopt the decision in line with the rules and regulations.

The area on the opposite bank of Kyinmyine Township is facilitated with Sesan rural health centre and three rural health branches. The midwives led by a health assistant are giving health care services to the local people.

People from the regional dispensary of the township often make emergency field trip to the opposite bank of the township and provide health care services to people. If necessary, they will make emergency field trip to the area. There is no plan to assign doctors to discharge part time duties there.

For the third question, the organizational setup will be submitted for opening a rural health centre in Kyi Kyinmyine Village in 2013-2013 fiscal year so as to provide better health care services to the local people of Maubin Constituency.
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calculation of the number of average patients received daily, current patient wards, scale model for construction of new one and needed funds.

With respect to the third one, priority would be given to the repair work, construction of staff quarters, solving of drinking water problem, supply of X-ray room and necessary equipments if respective health supervisory committee submitted the necessary fund along with engineer’s calculated estimation to Health Department.

Regarding the fourth one, specialists (orthopedic) did not include in the organizational structure of NyaungU People’s Hospital (100-bed). But, one assistant orthopedic surgeon would be appointed there soon.

Although there were limitations of power distribution in the past, power distribution was not limited when there was full power generation capacity. But, power was distributed to villages on once four day basis as an alternative power distribution system was carried out in the summer. Towers of Shweele-Mannan 210 KV power grid were destroyed by the mines. So, there was a decrease of 200 Megawatts, and power could be distributed to Taungthaman village of Amarpura Township, Mandalay Region and to amend and relax 24 points to be followed by Village Electricity Supply Committee across the country, including Taungthaman village**, Deputy Minister for Electric Power No.2 U Aung Than Oo replied that Ministry of Energy and Mines was preoccupied with limited when there was full sufficient power grid and sub-power stations could not be built in the past, there occurred more danger of electricity, lost of power and frequent repairs. In addition, due to the lack of perpetual maintenance and misappropriation of money, the committee was enforced to follow 24 points as disciplines, based on those factors.

The power distribution system was designated in advance to reduce the loads alternatively at times when there was no sufficient power generation. Those 24 points were disciplines designated for carry out village power supply systematically. Based on the weakensises and losses, those disciplines were laid down. It was designated for long-term benefits of power distribution system. So, there was no plan to relax those 24 points.

A representative seconded the proposal submitted by U Phone Myint Aung of Yangon Region Constituency No.3 on “urging the Union Government to draft and enact new law on Civil House Rental Business Development and to withdraw Civil Rent Supervisory Act (1960)”. Hluttaw approved and decided to discuss it. And Hluttaw announced that those representatives who want to discuss were to submit their names. The meeting came to an end at 10.45 am, and sixth day session will go on at 10 am tomorrow. At today’s session, five questions were raised and answered, one proposal submitted and decision made for discussion of it.

Republic of the Union of Myanmar
Union Election Commission
Nay Pyi Taw
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10th July, 2012
Mon Democracy Party allowed to register as political party

The Union Election Commission announced today that Mon Democracy Party headquartered at No.181, Yazadari Street, Myainghtaya Ward, Mawlamyine Township, Mon State, is allowed to register as a political party as of 10 July, 2012 in accord with Section 9 of Political Parties Registration Law. The party’s registration number is 58.

Win Ko
Secretary
Union Election Commission

Talks on agricultural pattern held

YANGON, 10 July—With the assistance of Israel Embassy to Myanmar, a talk on agricultural pattern was held at Republic of the Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry Office Tower on Min Ye Kyaw Zwa Road in Lannadaw, here, yesterday morning.

President of UMFCCI U Kyaw Zan Myint, Chief Minister of PRC Mr Meng Jianzhu and party at Sedona Hotel. Mr Meng Jianzhu and party at Sedona Hotel.

Win Aung extended greetings and Israeli Ambassador to Myanmar Mr. Yaron Mayer made speech.

Mr. Gal Yarden (MD Netayim Irrigation) gave talks on water drop system in agriculture, Mr. Gershon (T.C.I.Chemical Ltd) fertilizers and ads Electric Power No. 2 lgy in distribute electricity, based on electric power generation. With the increased production of electricity, extended construction of power grid and sub-power stations was carried out for the timely distribution of power.

As standard power grid and sub-power stations could not be built in the past, there occurred more danger of electricity, lost of power and frequent repairs. In addition, due to the lack of perpetual maintenance and misappropriation of money, the committee was enforced to follow 24 points as disciplines, based on those factors.

By order,

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Yangon Region Chief Minister meets Chinese guests

Nav Pyi Taw, 10 July—Yangon Region Chief Minister U Myint Swe met member of the State Council and Minister of Public Security of the People’s Republic of China Mr Meng Jianzhu and party at Executive Club Hall of Sedona Hotel in Yangon at 5 pm today.

Together with the Yangon Region Chief Minister were Yangon Region Security and Border Affairs Minister Col Tin Win, Region Development Affairs Minister Yangon Mayor U Hla Myint, Region Finance and Revenue Minister Daw San San Nwe, Region Forestry and Energy Minister U Kyaw Soe, Region Minister for Transport U Aung Khin and Vice-Chief of Myanmar Police Force Police Brig-Gen Zaw Win and Chinese State Councillor and Public Security Minister was accompanied by Chinese Ambassador to Myanmar Mr. Li Junhua and officials. Chief Minister U Myint Swe hosted a dinner to the member of the State Councillor and Public Security Minister of PRC and party at Sedona Hotel.

Chinese delegation concludes visit

Nav Pyi Taw, 10 July—A delegation led by member of State Council and Public Security Minister of the People’s Republic of China Mr Meng Jianzhu who were now in Myanmar left from Nay Pyi Taw at 4:30 pm today.

They were seen off at Nay Pyi Taw International Airport by Deputy Minister for Home Affairs Brig-Gen Kyaw Zan Myint, Chief of Myanmar Police Force Police Maj-Gen Kyaw Kyaw Tun, Member of Nay Pyi Taw Council Col Myint Aung Than, Chinese Ambassador to Myanmar Mr. Li Junhua and officials from Chinese embassy, officials of Myanmar Police Force.

Member of State Council and Minister of Public Security of the People’s Republic of China Mr Meng Jianzhu and party being seen off by officials at Nay Pyi Taw International-Airport.—MNA

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Fertilizer, piglets provided to basic cooperative societies

YAMETHIN, 10 July—A ceremony to provide bags of Super Top fertilizer and piglets to farmers from basic cooperative societies without interest rate was held at the hall of Township Livestock Breeding and Veterinary Department in Yamethin Township on 7 July morning. Under the supervision of Deputy Commissioner U Kyaw Kyaw Tun of Yamethin General Administration Department, Township Administrator U Maung Maung and Head of District Livestock Breeding and Veterinary Department, Staff Office U Zaw Kin of Township LBVD and U Kyaw Maung handed over 309 bags of Super Top fertilizers and 246 piglets to the executives of basic cooperative societies.

Myint Amin

Cash donated for construction of religious edifice in Nay Pyi Taw

NAY PYI TAW, 10 July—Cash donation ceremony for construction of Mingala Byuha Sasana Beikman funded by Shwe Family Foundation took place at the construction site this afternoon. Union Minister for Religious Affairs Thura U Myint Maung, Union Minister at the President Office Chairman of Nay Pyi Taw Council U Thein Nyunt, Union Minister for Hotels and Tourism and for Sports U Tint Hsan, Pyithu Hluttaw representative of Pyinmana Township U Hla Myint Oo, Deputy Minister for Religious Affairs Dr Maung Maung Hlai, Deputy Minister for Construction U Kyaw Lwin, members of Nay Pyi Taw Council, members and officials of Nay Pyi Taw Development Committee, departmental heads, donors, members of social organizations and guests attended the ceremony. Union Minister U Thein Nyunt delivered an address at the ceremony, saying that the religious edifice is aimed at hosting exams for members of Sangha and laypersons and religious ceremonies. Donors presented donations through Union Ministers Thura U Myint Maung, U Thein Nyunt and U Tint Hsan, Deputy Ministers Dr Maung Maung Hlai and U Kyaw Lwin, Nay Pyi Taw Council Member Dr Than Aung and Pyithu Hluttaw representative U Hla Myint Oo.

At today’s ceremony, 41 well-wishers donated K 35.41 million.

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A team from the Myanmar National Human Rights Commission, comprising the Secretary and two Members, visited Sittway, Maungtaw, Buthidaung and Yathedaung Townships in the Rakhine State from 27 June to 1 July and held discussions with the responsible persons, religious leaders and the victims.

It is found that unexpected and unimaginable incidents occurred in the Rakhine State on 28 March and 3 June. The acts of violence that started in certain villages in Maungtaw Township led to acts of violence between the two groups of people. On learning these incidents of violence, the entire population was grieved. The public, the Government and the international community expressed concern. Similarly, the Myanmar National Human Rights Commission was also concerned about the said violations of human rights. It was found that the loss and sufferings on both sides took a heavy toll on the victims not only physically but also mentally.

The Union Government and the Rakhine State Government have been taking measures setting up relief stations, 11 in Maungtaw and its township, 57 in Sittway and its township, 4 in Yathedaung, totaling 72 stations. It was learned that relief stations are set up at 56 Buddhist monasteries, out of a total of 72 stations. All the Rakhine nationals from the relief stations in Buthidaung and Pomanyaw have been safely returned to their respective areas and villages.

It was noted that the basic needs of food, clothing, shelter and health of the victims at the above-mentioned relief stations are being met. Relying on the availability of the contributions, foodstuff and materials being provided by the Union Government, the State Government, United Nations Agencies, International Non-Governmental Organizations (INGOs), Non-Governmental Organizations, entrepreneurs, artists and well-wishers. The Tatmadaw (the Armed Forces), the Police Force and the Border Immigration Headquarters are providing security for the respective areas and stations. It was observed that the stability and security are improving in the townships that the Commission team had visited.

In order to restore normalcy to the situation in the northern part of Rakhine State, the following programmes are recommended for long-term tasks:
- the measures to build the rule of law be strengthened and just and effective actions be taken in accordance with law against the perpetrators of the acts of violence that had occurred;
- steps should be taken to build mutual trust for the physical and mental rehabilitation of the victims of the two groups of people;
- a special programme should be undertaken to enhance the basic education of the children in the affected areas for the building of mutual trust and enrichment of intelligence and knowledge.
- it is pleasing to observe that the basic needs of the victims from the affected areas are being met by the assistance and support extended by various organizations and well-wishers. In view of the continuing basic needs, it is urged that more assistance and support be provided.

The Myanmar National Human Rights Commission

Rainy season tree growing ceremony held in Nattalin

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District News

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NAY PYI TAW, 10 July—Sales of prepaid top-up cards worth K 10000 are high demand at handset shops of Nay Pyi Taw Thabyegon Market said a sale in-charge.

As of early March, raising of demand for top-up cards are based on change of bill system to prepaid card system of GSM worth K 1.5 million and WCDMA phones and installation of low-cost telephones. It was reported that demand of prepaid cards worth K 10000 is higher than that of K 5000 and K 3000.

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Amtrak's high speed Acela at Washington's Union Station seen recent US Vice President Joe Biden announced in Philadelphia that the US government will dedicate $53 billion over six years to build new high-speed rail networks and make existing ones faster, 8 Feb, 2011.—Reuters

Amtrak plans 37-minute train from New York to Philadelphia by 2040

PHILADELPHIA, 10 July—Amtrak announced a $151 billion improvement plan on Monday that includes 37-minute trips from New York to Philadelphia at speeds approaching 220 miles per hour (354 km per hour).

However, the US passenger rail company predicts a substantial financial support from both state and federal governments to make its ambitious plan to transform rail travel in the Northeast a reality. Threereported that super-fast train trips along the East Coast could be realistic by 2040. Travel times from New York to either Washington or Boston — both about 200 miles in distance — would also be slashed, to 94 minutes, the report said. Current travel times from New York to Philadelphia on Amtrak’s sleek Acela trains are 1 hour, 15 minutes. Travel between New York and Washington currently takes 2 hours, 45 minutes and New York and Boston takes 3 hours, 41 minutes, according to Amtrak’s website.

“The NEC (Northeast Corridor) region is America’s economic powerhouse and is facing a serious crisis with an aging and congested multimodal transportation network that routinely operates at or near capacity in many segments,” Amtrak’s President Joe Boardman said in a statement.

The traditionally cash-starved railroad is funded by Congress, where Republicans have been reluctant to finance prior plans to develop high-speed rail in the United States.—Reuters

German transport firms turn offshore headache into profits

BRANDE, 10 July—Andreas Wellbrock is proud of his pontoon. The floating tripod vessels are reminiscent of rusty space rockets through the harbour of Bremerhaven, a German port city located on the North Sea.

The tripod is foundations for offshore wind turbines and have to be shipped to wind farms being built off the coast. They are huge, some standing 65 meters tall — as high as the towers of London’s Tower Bridge and weighing as much as 950 tonnes, or 950 passenger cars.

“They’re the biggest of their kind, so you need an elaborate mechanism to move them from A to B,” says Wellbrock, who is in charge of wind energy logistics at firm BLG Logistics, and has helped to devise a special carrier to take the load.

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Civil defence authorities aim for a million New Zealanders in earthquake drill

WELLINGTON, 10 July—More than 250,000 New Zealanders have registered to take part in the country’s biggest ever earthquake drill later this year and authorities are aiming for 1 million.

The New Zealand ShakeOut drill, to be staged at 9.26 am on 26 September, aims to teach New Zealanders to “drop, cover and hold” referring to the shelter technique in order to survive if they are caught in one of the country’s frequent tremors.

Indonesia ranks biggest IT spender in southeast Asian region

JAKARTA, 10 July—A new study by International Data Corporation (IDC) showed that Indonesia’s Information Technology (IT) spending was the largest in Southeast Asian region and the world’s 19th, local media reported on Tuesday.

Roger Ling, an analyst at the IDC, was quoted by Jakarta Post as saying that based on data from IDC, Indonesia spent 10.9 billion US dollars on IT in 2011 and the spending is expected to hit 12.9 billion US dollars by the end of this year, or 18.3 percent year-on-year growth.

“The bulk of the IT spending still goes on hardware, followed by services and then software. This tallies with the focus on infrastructure build-up in the country,” Ling said.

Hardware spending in Indonesia reached 11.5 billion US dollars last year and is expected to rise to 17.8 billion US dollars by 2016. Meanwhile, spending on IT software and services stood at 522 million US dollars and 759 million US dollars respectively in 2011.

US arms makers cite strong demand from foreign buyers

FARMINGTON HILLS, 10 July—Military budgets may be under pressure in the United States and Europe but there is growing pressure from the Middle East, Asia and other regions for new fighter jets, helicopters and surveillance equipment, top weapons industry executives say.

“We have probably outpacing the busiest air show as of right now,” William Swanson, chief executive of Raytheon Co told Reuters in an interview on the opening day of the Farmington International Airshow, the largest aerospace event in the world.

British Prime Minister David Cameron opened the show, where 83 trade and military delegations from over 43 countries got a firsthand look at new commercial and military aircraft, including Boeing Co’s 787 Dreamliner, the European four-nation Typhoon and the V-22 Osprey, a tilt-rotor aircraft built by Boeing and Bell Helicopter, a unit of Textron.

Foreign sales account for about 25 percent of Raytheon’s $25 billion in annual sales, said Swanson, who comes to the show every year to meet personally with foreign buyers, and can’t understand why other defence companies are so focused on their domestic troubles.

“There are opportunities there. Don’t sit there and go, ‘Oh, woe is me.’ Look at it and say, ‘Okay, where’s the opportunity?’” Swanson told Reuters in an interview.

Even the US military remained very rich, despite deep cuts in spending in coming years, he said. “They’re still spending $500 billion dollars.”

Northrop Grumman Corp, maker of the B-2 bomber and the Global Hawk high-altitude surveillance drone, stayed home this year, saying it preferred air shows in the Middle East and Asia, where most of the new demand for weapons is emerging. The Pentagon’s chief weapons buyer, Frank Kendall, and Vice Admiral David Venlet, who runs the F-35 Joint Strike Fighter program, also skipped this year’s arms and airline bonanza, mindful of pressing budget problems at home. Chris Chadwick, president of Boeing Military Aircraft, said continuing uncertainty about the US budget has dampened the mood at the show, which is lit by a dark sky all day. Foreign arms buyers were still out in force.—Reuters

Mitsubishi UFJ suspends two London traders

TOKYO, 10 July—Mitsubishi UFJ Financial Group suspended two veteran employees on 9 July, in an interview with the New York Stock Exchange bell alongside CEO of Boeing Commercial Airplanes Ray Conner (R) at the Farmborough Airshow 2012 in southern England 9 July, 2012.—Reuters

The Ministry of Civil Defence is aiming to have 1 million people trained in the locations of New Zealand’s 4.43 million population participating.

“With more than two months to the drill we are well on the way to our target, but there is still a long way to go,” Civil Defence Emergency Management Director John Hamilton said in a statement Tuesday.

“Along with many individuals and families, it is great to see companies registering and taking the opportunity to look at their corporate emergency preparedness.”

Major companies, including dairy giant Fonterra and national carrier Air New Zealand, were registered to take part, he said. “Everyone is welcome individuals, families, and organizations, big, medium and small and they are needed if we are going to have 1 million people involved.”—Xinhua

He pointed out that “a confluence of factors” had pushed Indonesia in the 19th spot, with the private and public sectors playing key roles in spending connected to IT services.

However, the notable increment in IT spending has not translated into improvement in IT penetration given that IT service penetration was still focused on Jakarta and the surrounding areas. —Xinhua

CEO of Air Lease Corp Steven Udvar-Hazy (L) rings the New York Stock Exchange bell alongside CEO of Boeing Commercial Airplanes Ray Conner (R) at the Farmborough Airshow 2012 in southern England 9 July, 2012.—Reuters

He is hoping that his vessel — the first of its kind worldwide—will bring even more business as offshore wind farms provide an increasing share of Germany’s power supply.

Since its abrupt exit from nuclear power — announced by Chancellor Angela Merkel last year following Japan’s Fukushima disaster — Germany has ambitious plans for renewable energy.

Europe’s biggest economy aims to derive at least 35 percent of its power from renewable sources in 2020 and 80 percent in 2050, from 20 percent now.—Reuters

Before joining Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, said a source, who was not authorised to discuss the matter publicly, “BTMU is fully cooperating with authorities’ Libor investigation. The stay-home instruction on the two has nothing to do with their work at BTMU,” a bank spokesman in Tokyo said. He declined to comment further.

Bloomberg named the men as derivatives traders Christian Schleup and Paul Robson, citing a person briefed on the matter.

A Rabobank spokesman declined to comment on the traders. Investigators in the United States, Europe and Japan are examining more than a dozen big banks over suspected rigging of the Libor Interbank Offered Rate (Libor).—Xinhua

Photo taken on 24 Dec, 2011 shows a production line of Zhonghua Geely Holding Group, a Chinese carmaker, in Cuxi, east China’s Zhejiang Province. The Fortune magazine announced on 9 July, 2012 the latest Fortune Global 500, an annual ranking of the world’s largest businesses. Geely, a rising carmaker, is included in the Fortune Global 500 for the first time since its founding in 1986 as a refrigerator manufacturer.— Internet
Eight rescued from flooded mine in central China

China News, 10 July—Eight miners were lifted to ground Sunday after being trapped for over three days under a flooded colliery pit in central China’s Hunan Province, rescuers said. Another four of the 11 mine workers confirmed alive Saturday night were pulled out of a pit of Qielichong colliery in Leiyang city, at 6:20 pm, the rescue headquarters said in a statement. The eight have been rushed to hospital for further treatment. Before being pulled out to safety, they had received first-aid treatment for their injuries. Medical personnel had gone into the pit carrying stretchers and first-aid material. There are still four of the 11 earlier found alive waiting to be lifted to safety. —Xinhua

SMOKEY MOUNTAIN VISITORS RECALL VIOLENT STORM

TOWNSEND, 10 July—In a matter of minutes, a violent summer storm turned Ashley and Scott Hacker’s idyllic trip to the Great Smoky Mountains into a terrifying scene. The couple was teaching their son to fly fish Thursday when the winds suddenly picked up. The family jumped into their car for safety and as they started to drive away, trees began toppling around them. A large branch crashed through the car’s sun roof, narrowly missing the Hacker’s 12-year-old son.

“...and there was no way that anything was going to happen to our son,” Ashley Hacker said. “It was shaking like an earthquake, and then it wasn’t.”

Two people inside the park were killed and two others died in Chattanooga when the winds overturned a double-decker pontoon boat on Chickamauga Lake. Several other people were injured.

Officials reopened main roads and several campgrounds Saturday at the popular Cades Cove section of the park, which is located on the Tennessee-North Carolina border.

Ashley Hacker was shaking as she told her family’s survival story. She said Noah had made his first Claims Day. No claims against this vessel will be admitted after the Claims Day. "I know is that we were so lucky that day," Ashley Hacker said. "It was fine, it was beautiful, and then it wasn’t.

The branches were up against our car and there was more falling and people were trying to get to us but they couldn’t, so I kicked until I got the door open. If nothing else, I had to get him out of there,” Ashley Hacker said.—Internet

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Consignees of cargo carried on MV GATI MAJESTIC VOY NO (90312) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 11.7.2012 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of M.I.T.T where it will lie at the consignee’s risk and expenses and 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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Tom Cruise, Katie Holmes reach quick settlement for divorce

In a joint statement, Cruise and Holmes asked for their terms of the settlement to be private and confidential. Their representatives refused to elaborate on the agreement, saying only that terms of the settlement were confidential. The next step would be for Holmes or Cruise to file for their status to be changed to divorced, but that the actual financial and child custody details won’t get filed in court unless there’s some later dispute, said Steve Mindel, a managing partner in the Los Angeles firm Feinberg, Mindel, Brandt and Klein who has handled bi-coastal divorce cases.

South Korean tenor wins Vienna contest

VIENNA, 10 July—A South Korean tenor beat out 3,000 other up-and-coming opera talents Sunday to win first prize in the 31st annual International Hans Gabor Belvedere Singing Competition in Vienna. The bespectacled Boonjin Kim, 22, soared to the top with his rendition of Italian composer Gabriele Donizetti’s “Tombe degli avi miei”, pocketing a 7,000-euro ($8,600) cash prize in the contest aimed at pairing up young talent with industry contacts.

Fellow South Korean soprano Sang-Ah Yoon won third place, with South African soprano Hlengiwe Mkhwanazi coming in second, at the top voice competition named after a former head of the Vienna Chamber Opera.

Following preliminary rounds in 50-some cities across the globe from March to June, the best 138 singers took the stage in Vienna in early July before being whittled down to the top 14 in Sunday’s finals.

Along with her 3,500-euro second-place prize, Mkhwanazi, 26, won both the audience award and the media prize, each worth 1,500 euros. Sang-Ah Yoon, 24, went home with a 2,500-euro third prize.

Sweden to host Eurovision 2013 in Malmoe

MALMOE, 10 July—Sweden will host the 2013 Eurovision Song Contest in the southern city of Malmoe, the competition’s executive producer said Monday.

Malmoe is Sweden’s third-largest city and the contest will be held from 14-18 May in the 15,000-capacity Malmoe Arena, said Martin Osterdahl, the event’s top producer for Sweden’s public broadcaster SVT.

Sweden “has very big ambition” and wants to make the kitsch contest “more dynamic and richer in emotion”, he said.

According to the contest’s rules, the winning nation at a competition hosts the following year’s event. Singer Loreen wowed voters 26 May with her catchy techno-pop number “Euphoria,” to claim Sweden’s fifth victory.

It will be a family celebration for all of Europe. Malmoe, a multicultural city, is the ideal place for this international event,” SVT head Eva Hamilton said in a statement.—INTERNET
**Mancini signs five-year Man City deal**

**Italian manager commits his future to the Premier League champions**

**LONDON, 10 July —** Manager Roberto Mancini has committed his immediate future to Manchester City after agreeing a new five-year contract with the Barclays Premier League club. The deal, which will keep the Italian at the Etihad Stadium until the end of the 2016-17 season, is a fantastic football club, from the owner, chairman, board and the executive team, through to the players, staff and fans. I am very much looking forward to the challenges and excitement ahead.

Interim Chief Executive Officer John MacBeath added: “Roberto’s managerial credentials have been well proven in Europe for many years and in leading a team which has won the FA Cup and an unforgettable Barclays Premier League title in successive seasons, his ability to manage in the English domestic game is also undisputed.

“This new agreement allows Roberto to focus on the challenge of guiding a team which is capable not only of defending the Premier League title, but one which can compete for European honours.”

Mancini’s charges begin their Barclays Premier League title defence against an unstoppable Barcelona, so the club which is capable not only of defending the Premier League title, but one which can compete for European honours.

**Goalkeeper Solo gets warning for Manchester United**

**From broken neck to breaking records for Vogel**

**LONDON, 10 July —** Manchester United striker Luis Suarez faces a 10-match suspension from all football for biting opponent during a Premier League match. But the 30-year-old will also enjoy FIFA Club World Cup glory.

“Luis Suarez, pictured in June 2012, poses for a portrait at a cycling track in Erfurt, eastern Germany. Three years after surviving an horrific accident, Vogel will arrive at the London Olympic Games 2012 as the world team sprint champion and record holder.”

**German track cyclist Kristina Vogel, pictured in May 2012, poses for a portrait at a cycling track in Erfurt, eastern Germany. Three years after surviving an horrific accident, Vogel will arrive at the London Olympic Games 2012 as the world team sprint champion and record holder.”**

**AFP.**

“I am delighted to be here and be a QPR player,” said Park. “QPR is a club with huge history and tradition and a great ambition to achieve at the very highest level. “I am joining a club that is very much on the up, across the world, a club that has a very bright future.”

This project was simply too good to resist, I was excited about getting started in pre-season, and on going our tour to Asia in the coming days.”

**Goalkeeper Hope Solo gets warning for anti-doping**

**New York, 10 July —** National team goalkeeper Hope Solo test results are a banned substance found in her pre-menstrual medication and a public warning for the violation, the Anti-Doping Agency (USADA) said on Monday. Solo, 30, tested positive for Canrenone as the result of an out-of-competition urine sample collected on 15 June but will not be ruled out of the 27 July-21 August London Olympic Games.

The prescribed medication is classified as a specified substance by USADA that can result in a reduced sanction. “I took a medication prescribed by my personal doctor for pre-menstrual purposes that I did not know contained a diuretic,” Solo said in a statement. “Once informed of this fact, I immediately cooperated with USADA and shared with them everything they needed to properly conclude that I made an honest mistake, and that the medication did not enhance my performance in any way.

“As someone who believes in clean sport, I am glad to have worked with USADA to resolve this matter and I look forward to representing my country at the 2012 Olympic Games in London.”

**AP.**

**International Sport**

**Liverpool’s Suarez named in Uruguay Olympic squad**

Montevideo, 10 July — Liverpool striker Luis Suarez was one of three over-age players included in the 18-man Uruguay squad for the 2012 Olympic Games that was announced here on Monday. Coach Oscar Washington Tabarez has also named prolific Napolis striker Edison Cavani and Palermo’s Egidio Arevalo Rios as stand-by players over the age of 23 in the squad that will compete in Group A alongside Great Britain, Senegal and the United Arab Emirates. Other familiar faces include Liverpool defender Sebastian Coates, Ajax midfielder Nicolas Lodeiro and Palermo attacker Abel Hernandez. Uruguay, who won last year’s Copa America and finished fourth in the 2010 World Cup, will face the United Arab Emirates in their opening game on 26 July. Uruguay famously won football gold at the 2004 Summer Games in Athens and again four years later in London.

**Uruguayan squad**

Goalkeepers: Walter Garus, Luis Suarez, pictured in June 2012 — Liverpool, Benitez (National)

Stand-by: Alexander Silva (Penarol), Federico Pintos (Defensor Sporting), Martin Rodriguez (Wanderers).
Putin eyes deeper ties with China, India

MOSCOW, 10 July—President Vladimir Putin on Monday listed China and India among his foreign policy priorities and vowed to deepen cooperation with the two emerging powers.

Addressing Russian diplomats and envoys here, Putin noted that strategic and practical interaction with China is of great importance.

“We will pay careful attention to deepening all forms of cooperation with the Chinese partners, including coordination of our actions on the international agenda,” Putin said.

During his previous talks with Chinese officials, Putin said that the two emerging economies, with a strong developing potential, are important forces in maintaining world peace.

In June, during his first foreign tour since returning to the Kremlin, Putin paid a state visit to China and talked with President Hu Jintao.

There are “immense potential and broad prospects” for cooperation between the two giants, Putin told Hu. Besides China, as its largest neighbor, Russia also intends to foster ties with other emerging Asian countries who are gaining political weight, “first of all our longtime partner and friend, India,” Putin said.

Putin also acknowledged that Russia did not pay enough attention to Latin American and African countries in the past, and vowed to strengthen ties with those partners.

Weather forecast for 11th July, 2012

Focus Myanmar TV Programme

MYANMAR TV

(11-7-2012)(Wednesday)

7:00 am
1. Paritta By Venerable Mingun Sayadaw

7:25 am
2. To Be Healthy Exercise

7:40 am
3. Nice and Sweet Song

7:50 am
4. Health Programme

8:00 am
5. Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions

8:10 am
6. Documentary

4:10 pm
7. Musical Programme

4:22 pm
8. Teleplay (Health)

4:35 pm
9. Song Of National Races

5:00 pm
10. University of Distance Education (TV Lectures)

-Third Year (Math)

5:15 pm
11. Songs For Upholding National Spirit

5:45 pm
12. ASEAN “Programmes”

6:35 pm
13. Shwe Yin Chone Than

7:40 pm
14. Alinka Wut Yi Music Troupe

8:00 pm
15. News

8:40 pm
16. Korea NG Award

9:10 pm
17. TV Drama Series

9:20 pm
18. Myanmar Movie “Misused”

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(11-7-12 09:30 am – 12-7-12 09:30 am) MST

* News

* Pleasant Waso

* News

* Topic on Journal “Population”

* Australian Secondary schools Exhibition 2012

* News

* A Ceremony of International Co-operative Day

* Taung Gyi Township:

Significant Show

Phone Pwint Pagoda

News

IT Products Show in Taikone

News

Northern Myanmar 2012

News

She & Her Melodious Music

News

Myanmar Women on the Historical Page

News

The Launch of NHK on SkyNet

News

Myanmar Movie “Misused”

CITIZENSHIP CARDS ISSUED: In implementing Moe Pwint-3 Plan, Mingalardon Township Immigration and National Registration Department arranged issuance of citizenship scrutiny cards.

A helicopter crashed Monday in Southern California, killing one person and wounding another on board, local media said.

One person was killed in the crash and another is being treated for minor injuries, Riverside County Sheriff’s Deputy Albert Martinez was quoted by local media as saying. The helicopter was a private aircraft.

Local firefighters responded to the scene after having some difficulties reaching the remote area. The crash was under investigation. There were no reports of anyone injured on the ground.

CITIZENSHIP CARDS ISSUED...
Pyithu Hluttaw meeting continues for fifth day

Eight questions answered, one proposal and two bills submitted

NAY PYI TAW, 10 July—Pyithu Hluttaw meeting continued for the fifth day at the Pyithu Hluttaw Building here at 10.10 am today, attended by Speaker of Pyithu Hluttaw U Shwe Mann and 404 representatives.

During the question and answer session, U Kyaw Myint (a) U Pho Toke of Momeik constituency asked if there was a plan to install a new device not to cause interruption of telephone lines and U Sai Tun Sein of Mongpyin constituency asked if there was a plan to provide mobile telephone services to Tongtar sub-township.

Regarding the first question, Union Minister for Communications, Posts and Telegraphs U Thein Tun replied that Kyeenitaung-Momeik microwave link in Mogok Township, Mandalay Region, was used to provide trunk calls of the Auto-exchange office in Momeik and GSM stations in Shan State (North). As there happened failures at telephone service frequently, Stratex 16 E1 machine was used in the service though Indoor Unit (IDU) was in good condition. Transmission Equipment had been checked and it was equipped at Momeik Microwave link as Microwave Communications, Posts and Telegraphs U Thein Tun replied to the questions raised by Nyaungyan Station Hospital (16-bed) to become high-class one, to build staff quarters, to solve drinking water problem and to provide it with X-Ray room and necessary equipment by U Aye of Mandalay Constituency No.7 on “there is any plan to provide station hospitals in village-tracts with X-ray machines, X-ray rooms and generators”; by U Pe Thaung of Shwepyitha constituency asked if there was a plan to improve 56-mile long Hsinthe-Lahe road as traffic accidents had increased along the road; by U Myint Soe of Pyawbwe constituency asked if there was a plan to improve the Yangon-Nay Pyi Taw Highway and U Sar Mu of Lahe constituency asked if there was a plan to improve 56-mile long Hsinthe-Lahe road.

Regarding the first question, Deputy Minister for Construction U Kyaw Lwin replied that driving with a limited speed and obeying instructions on traffic signboards and traffic signs along the road could lead to road safety.

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Fourth regular session of first Amyotha Hluttaw continues for fifth day

Five questions answered, one proposal submitted, decision made for discussion of proposal

NAY PYI TAW, 10 July—Fourth regular session of first Amyotha Hluttaw Hall of Hluttaw Building, here, at 10 am today, attended by Deputy Speaker of Amyotha Hluttaw U Mya Nyin and 204 MPs.

At the question-and-answer session, Deputy Minister for Health Dr Win Myint replied to the questions raised by U Thet Naing Oo of Bago Region Constituency No.6 on “Ministry of Health has any plan to provide station hospitals in village-tracts with X-ray machines, X-ray rooms and generators”; by U Pe Thaung of Kachin State Constituency No.6 on “there is any plan to extend new wards in Mohynin District Hospital (100-bed) and to fill the vacant posts of specialists and health staff there”; by U Htay Maung of Mandalay Region Constituency No.12 on “there is any plan to make necessary repair of Nyaungyan Station Hospital (16-bed) to become high-class one, to build staff quarters, to solve drinking water problem and to provide it with X-Ray room and necessary equipment”; and by U Aye of Mandalay Constituency No.7 on “there is any plan to appoint an orthopedist in Nyaungyin District People’s Hospital”.

With respect to the above-mentioned questions, the Deputy Minister replied that Ministry of Health was providing region/state hospitals with hospital equipment if necessary on a priority basis. It needed to fill designated form when hospital equipments were asked for. Then, it needed to be presented to head of Township Health Department and countersigned by head of region/state health department. After those processes, the Ministry was scrutinizing and providing equipment to the hospitals.

District-level hospitals had been equipped with X-ray machines. For the township hospitals, hospitals that had no X-ray machines were provided with X-ray machines on a priority basis. Station hospitals were supplied based on the construction of standard X-ray room and electricity supply.

As to the second one, although head of Mohynin District Health Department had yet to present the report asking for construction of extended patient wards in Mohynin District Hospital (100-bed), it would be put on the priority list of 2013-2014 financial year if the head submitted engineer’s estimated construction of standard X-ray room and electricity supply.

(See page 9)