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President U Win Myint welcomes Ms. Sushma Swaraj, Indian Minister of External Affairs, in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday. **PHOTO: MNA**

JMC-U holds 16th meeting at NRPC in Yangon

By Zaw Gyi

THE Union-level Joint Monitoring Committee (JMC-U) held its 16th meeting at the National Reconciliation and Peace Centre (NRPC) in Yangon yesterday morning, where the outbreak of conflict between Nationwide Ceasefire Agreement (NCA) signatories was discussed, among other issues.

The meeting was attended by JMC-U Chairman Lt-Gen Yar Pyae and Tatmadaw representatives Lt-Gen Aye Win, Lt-Gen Than Tun Oo and Deputy Minister for Home Affairs Maj-Gen Aung Soe, JMC-U Vice Chairman (1) Saw Isaac Po and heads of ethnic armed organizations, JMC-U Vice Chairman (2) U Pyae Sone and civilian representatives and members of the technical assistance office.

In his message of greetings to the meeting, JMC-U Chairman Lt-Gen Yar Pyae said there are pre-selected programmes for the meeting, as well as continued open discussions on policies that were the result of yesterday's general meeting. The chairman primarily urged open discussion on future works in implementing JMC works and

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President U Win Myint receives Indian Minister of External Affairs

PRESIDENT U Win Myint received a delegation led by Indian Minister of External Affairs Ms. Sushma Swaraj at the Presidential Palace in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday.

During the meeting, they cordially discussed bilater-

al relations between the two countries, Rakhine State development and the peace process, cooperation in the investment and trade sectors, as well as upgrading the socio-economic life of people along the border.

The meeting was also at-

tended by Union Minister for the Office of the Union Government U Thaug Tun, Union Minister for Transport and Communications U Thant Sin Maung, Union Minister for Electricity and Energy U Win Khaing, Union Minister for International

Cooperation U Kyaw Tin and other officials. Indian Ambassador to Myanmar Mr. Vikram Misri was also in attendance, together with the delegation led by the Indian Minister of External Affairs.—Myanmar News Agency ■

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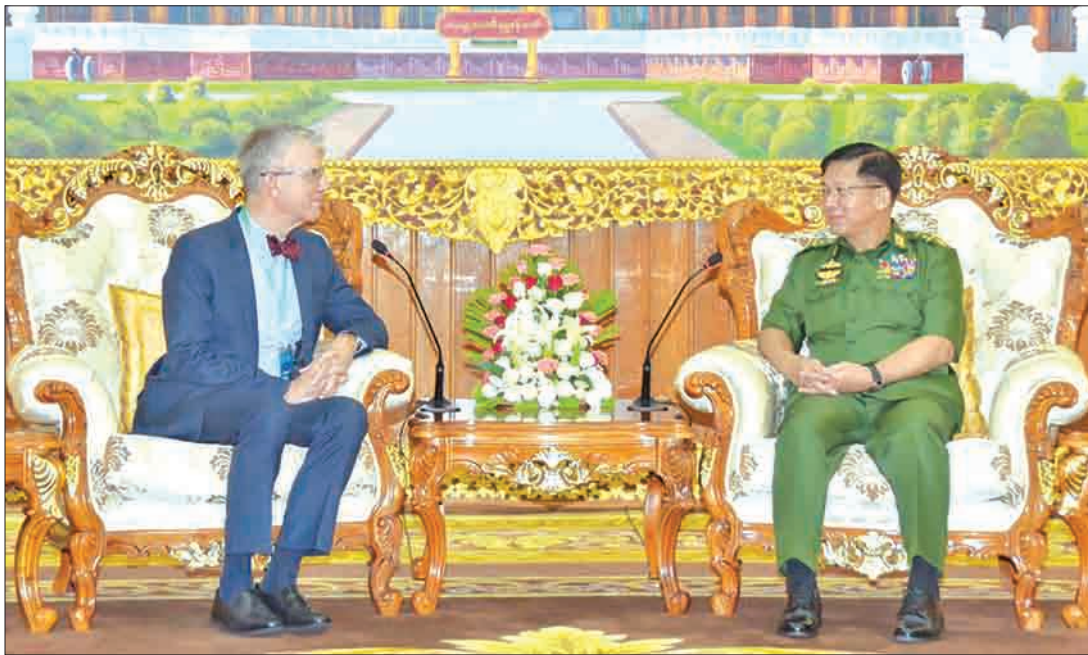
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Senior General Min Aung Hlaing holds talks with Swiss Ambassador Mr. Paul R. Seger in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday. **PHOTO: MNA**

Senior General Min Aung Hlaing receives Swiss Ambassador

SENIOR General Min Aung Hlaing, Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services, received Swiss Ambassador Mr. Paul R. Seger at the Bayint Naung

Guesthouse in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday morning.

During the meeting, they discussed matters related to Swiss assistance and partici-

pation in the Myanmar peace process and the situation in Buthidaung and Maungtau in Rakhine State. — Myanmar News Agency ■

Chinese Public Security Minister visits Shwedagon Pagoda

A DELEGATION led by Mr. Zhao Kezhi, member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China and Minister of Public Security, who was in Yangon, visited Shwedagon Pagoda yesterday morning.

Next, the Chinese minister arrived in Latha Township Police Station and was welcomed by senior police personnel from the Yangon Region Police Force. The visitors were briefed about the status of the police works conducted through a Power-Point presentation by Police Brig-Gen Win Naing.

Later, the Chinese Minister of Public Security donated two laptops to the police station, inspected the layout of the police station, the detention centre at the police station and the patrol car donated by the People's Republic of China.



Chinese Minister of Public Security Mr. Zhao Kezhi and delegation visit Shwedagon Pagoda in Yangon yesterday. **PHOTO: MNA**

Later in the afternoon, the Chinese Minister visited Huawei Technology Co. Ltd. in Myanmar Plaza, Yangon, and then left Yangon in the evening. — Myanmar News Agency ■

Apology

THE Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Conservation would like to apologise for an error in an article on Page 2 in the 10 May 2018 edition of the Global New Light of

Myanmar. in the article titled "Union Minister for Natural Resources and Environmental Conservation receives chairman of China Huaneng Group Co., Ltd", instead of China

Huaneng Group Co., Ltd the correct name should be Huaneng Lancang River Hydropower Inc. —Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Conservation ■

Indian Minister of External Affairs arrives in Nay Pyi Taw

A DELEGATION led by Indian Minister of External Affairs Ms. Sushma Swaraj arrived in Nay Pyi Taw at 2 p.m. yesterday and was welcomed by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Permanent Secretary U Myint Thu and Indian Ambassador to Myanmar Mr. Vikram Misri at Nay Pyi Taw International Airport.

Later in the evening, Union Minister for International

Cooperation U Kyaw Tin hosted a dinner for the Indian minister and her delegation at Shwe San Eain Hotel in Nay Pyi Taw.

The dinner was also attended by Union Minister for the Office of the Union Government U Thaug Tun, Union Minister for Industry U Khin Maung Cho, Union Minister for Construction U Han Zaw and other officials. — MNA ■



Indian Minister of External Affairs Ms. Sushma Swaraj arrives at Nay Pyi Taw International Airport yesterday. **PHOTO: MNA**

Wholesale, retail foreign companies permitted to operate in Myanmar

THE Ministry of Commerce will permit wholesale and retail foreign companies and joint Myanmar-foreign ventures to operate in the country.

The government has issued notice 25/2018 dated 9 May regarding the same.

The aim is to promote fair competition, give more choices to the consumer, reduce prices, raise the quality of goods and services distributed, assist local

products acquire market share and develop small and medium enterprises.

Companies — foreign, local or joint Myanmar-foreign ventures — that conduct wholesale and retail sales must follow the rules and regulations attached to the notice. The amendments to the rules and regulations will be made and announced occasionally. —Myanmar News Agency ■

Police apprehend 10 illegal migrants in Ayeyawady Region

ACTING on a tip, the police apprehended two illegal migrants near a creek, six miles east of KoneGyi Village in Hinthada District, Ayeyawady Region, on 9 May. The two men were Ayun Ali alias Hla Kyaw from OhntawGyi camp for displaced persons in Sittway Township, and Abdula alias Maung Kyaw Win from Thetkepyan Village in Sittway Township.

After interrogating the two men, the police found that eight other illegal migrants had also

entered the area. Yesterday, the police apprehended Zawki Ahmed alias Kyaw Naing, Jaung Bo alias Maung Hla, Mahmud Jabel alias Hla Kyaw, Zanura Baegum alias Khin Khin Nu, Bi Bi Asha alias Hla Hla Sein, Kaw Reema Baegum alias Hla Hla Myint, Ara Baegum alias Than Than Nu, and Shaw Bikha Baegum alias Ma Ma Aye near KoneGyi Village. The police are conducting further investigations in the case. —Kyaw Kyaw (District IPRD) ■