(1) Senior General Than Shwe bids General Secretary Mr Do Muoi farewell at conclusion of goodwill visit to Myanmar

YANGON, 24 May -The goodwill delegation led by Mr Do Muoi, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam (CPVCC), which was on a goodwill visit to Myanmar at the invitation of Chairman of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Senior General Than Shwe, departed for home this evening by a special flight.

(2) Myanmar’s economic development explained to Vietnamese Deputy PM, goodwill delegation members

YANGON, 24 May -Member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam Deputy Prime Minister Mr Phan Van Khai and goodwill delegation members were briefed on Myanmar’s economic development at the International Business Centre on Pyay Road this morning.

Also present were member of the State Law and Order Restoration Council and Chairman of Myanmar Investment Commission Deputy Prime Minister ViceAdmiral Maung Maung Khin, Minister for Forestry Lt-Gen Chit Swe, Minister for Hotels and Tourism LtGen Kyaw Ba, Minister for Mines Lt-Gen Kyaw Min, Minister for National Planning and Economic Development Brig-Gen Abel, Minister for Transport Lt-Gen Thein Win, Deputy Ministers for Mines U Hlaing Win and U Myint Thein, Ambassador of Myanmar to Vietnam U Khin Soe, heads of departments under respective ministries and Ambassador of Vietnam to Myanmar Mr Tran Viet Tan.
Minister Brig-Gen Abel extended greetings to the distinguished guests.

Heads of departments of respective ministries explained economic development in Myanmar sectorwise and responded to the questions raised by the guests.

Minister for Hotels and Tourism Lt-Gen Kyaw Ba also explained Myanmar’s hotels and tourism services.

Deputy Prime Minister Mr Phan Van Khai thanked the ministers and officials for explaining Myanmar’s economic development.

He also explained Vietnam’s economic development and expressed belief that Vietnam and Myanmar will be able to cooperate further in the economic sector.

Later, the chairmen of Board of Vietnam Petroleum, Board of Post and Telecommunications of Vietnam and Forest Products Corporation also explained their services.

(3) Over 1,600 pieces of remains of Pondaung primates handed over to National Museum

YANGON, 24 May - A ceremony to hand over the remains of primates and other fossils discovered by pondaung fossil exploration group to the National Museum was held at the museum on pyay Road this morning with an address by Secretary-1 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt.

(4) Myanmar Mango Show opens

YANGON, 24 May Secretary-2 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Tin Oo formally opened Myanma Mango Show sponsored by Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation at ‘Myaypadethakyun in-Bahan Township this morning.

The Secretary-2 and the ministers observed mangoes of high quality from states and divisions, farms of Myanmar Agriculture Service and private orchards, mango trees and shop of Hlinetet Canning Factory.
The Mango Show is held with the objectives of production of high quality mangoes in Myanmar, boosting export and extension of cultivated acreage.

The show will be open to the public from 8 am to 6 pm daily till 25 May.

(5) Minister for Forestry receives Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development of SRV

YANGON, 24 May Member of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Minister for Forestry Lt-Gen Chit Swe received Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam Mr Nguyen Cong Tan at International Business Centre this morning.

They discussed mutual cooperation in forestry sector.

Present also were officials of the ministry.

(6) Thanlwin Bridge construction to be completed in July

YANGON, 24 May Chairman of the Mon State Law and Order Restoration Council Commander of the South-East Command Maj-Gen Ket Sein inspected Construction of Thanlwin Bridge yesterday.

He was accompanied by Tactical Operations Commander Col Khin Maung Soe and officials concerned. Project Director U Hla Myint and officials concerned briefed the Commander on progress of work. The Commander urged the officials to maintain their momentum of efforts and emphasized worksite safety, durability and timely completion of the bridge.

Construction; began on 16 May 1994 and will be completed in July this year. Installation of iron beams and trusses will be completed in the middle of June.

Pre-stressed concrete 0 layer will be installed at the base and a four-inch thick concrete layer and two-inch-thick asphalt will be laid at the final stage.
(7) **UDE holds first day session of its 8th Convocation**

YANGON, 24 May - The University of Distance Education held its first day session of its 8th Convocation at Yangon University Convocation Hall at 9 am today.

It was attended by Rector of UDE, professors, faculty members, graduates and their parents and relatives totalling over 2,500.

Rector U Mehm Than Thaung conferred bachelor’s degree in arts on 1,394 graduates conferred bachelor’s degree in science on 293 graduates.

In the second-day session on 25 May, BA and BSc degrees will be conferred on 1,693 graduates, it is learnt.

(8) **Trainees of Marine Youth Course (Yangon Camp) visit Naval Training Command Headquarters (Seikkyi)**

YANGON, 23 May - Altogether 74 trainees of Marine Youth Course (Yangon Camp), jointly sponsored by Union Solidarity and Development Association (Central) and Office of Commander in-Chief (Navy), accompanied by course in-charge Lt Saw Khun Cho, instructors and supervisory visited Naval Training Command Headquarters (Seikkyi) at 8 am today.