THE NEW LIGHT OF MYANMAR (Monday 26 May, 1997)

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(1) **Aung Zeya Bridge constructed across Hline River to link Insein with Hlinethaya Township**

YANGON, 25 May Secretary-1 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt inspected construction of Aung Zeya Bridge across Hline River and also gave instructions on construction of Insein Modern Market this afternoon.

Accompanied by officials of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Office, the Secretary-1 arrived at Aung Zeya Bridge Project site at 1.30 pm.

He was welcomed there by Minister for Construction Maj-Gen Saw Tun, Chairman of Yangon City Development Committee Mayor U Ko lay Chairman of Yangon Division Law and Order Restoration Council Commander Maj-Gen Khin Maung Than and departmental officials.

At the project office, Superintending Engineer U Khin Maung Aye briefed them on development conditions in Rakhine State and Magway and Ayeyawady Divisions that will benefit from the bridge, salient points about the project, work plans for 1997-98, progress of work and requirements.

Minister Maj-Gen Saw Tun presented a supplementary report.

Chairman of Yangon North District Law and Order Restoration Council Lt Col Kyaw Tint also briefed them on resettlement of some houses located in the project area.

(2) **Ngamoeyeik Bridge (Parami) to be commissioned in August**

YANGON, 25 May Secretary-2 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Tin Oo this evening inspected construction of Ngamoeyeik Bridge (Parami) which will link
South Okapala Township and Dagon Myothit (North).

The Secretary-2 and party inspected progress of building the bridge.

At the project hall, Senior Engineer U Myint Lwin and Managing Director U Tint Swe reported to the Secretary-2 on progress of work.

The Secretary-2 called on them to complete the bridge as targeted to facilitate transport for the increasing population. He said that on completion of the present two-lane bridge, another two-lane bridge will be built. He called on the officials to take measures.

Then, Minister U Khin Maung Yin and Deputy Commander Brig-Gen Thura Myint Maung joined in the discussion.

The bridge will be opened in August.

(3) **Myanmar goodwill delegation returns from LPDR**

YANGON, 25 May - Myanmar goodwill delegation led by Minister for Religious Affairs and Chairman of National Convention Convening Commission Lt-Gen Myo Nyunt arrived back here by air from Lao People’s Democratic Republic this evening after visiting the LPDR at the invitation of Chairman of Lao National Reconsolidation Front. Myanmar delegation members Secretary of National Convention Convening Work Committee U Aye Maung, joint Secretary U Thaung Nyunt, Director General of Department for Promotion and Propagation of the Sasana U Sann Lwin, Adviser to the Ministry of Religious Affairs U Sao Tun Hmat Win, Professor U Tint Lwin of State Pariyatti Sasana Tekkatho and PSO to the Minister Capt Tint Kyaw also arrived back here on the same flight.

(4) **Myanmar delegation arrives back from the Philippines**

YANGON, 25 May - Myanmar delegation led by Deputy Minister for Hotels and Tourism Brig-Gen Tin Aye arrived back here by air yesterday evening from the Philippines after attending the World Tourism Leaders Meeting on Social Impacts of Tourism held in Manila.

The delegation was welcomed back at the airport by member of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Minister for Hotels and Tourism Lt-Gen Kyaw Ba and officials of departments.
Managing Director of Gracious Myanmar Travel U Sonny Nyunt Thein also arrived back here together with the deputy minister.

(5) **Transport Planning Department holds annual meeting**

YANGON, 25 May - Minister for Rail Transportation U Win Sein addressed the annual meeting of Department of Transport Planning at the ministry yesterday evening.

The meeting was attended by advisers, directors-general and managing directors of departments under the ministry and officials of TPD.

The minister expressed satisfaction with the collection of taxes for 1996-97 and called on the officials to improve staff welfare services. Prizes were presented for outstanding collection of taxes. First prize was won by Muse District, second by Yamethin District and third by Kyaukparaung District.

(6) **Myanmar prawn feed exported to Australia**

YANGON, 25 May - Minister for Livestock and Fisheries U Aung Thaung this morning viewed catching and sale of deep sea prawns raised under the technical cooperation scheme between Fisheries Department and Super Group Ltd near Chaungwa Village in Kyauktan Township, Yangon South District.

The minister was accompanied by Deputy Minister U Aung Thein, Director-General U Soe Win and officials of Fisheries Department, Director (News) U Hla Tun and officials of News and Periodicals Enterprise, faculty members of institutions of higher learning and livestock breeders.

Director-General U Soe Win briefed the minister on success in breeding fresh water and deep sea prawns by employing modern, scientific methods jointly undertaken by Fisheries Department and Super Group Ltd.

Assistant Director (Prawn Breeding Division) U Khin Maung Soe explained breeding techniques.

In his address, the minister said breeding fish and prawns is a crucial task of the ministry and in-land breeding is better than fishing at sea which is costly and risky. He noted that Myanmar has favourable conditions for in-land fish and prawn breeding and called for cooperation of private entrepreneurs for gaining more benefits.
for supplementing income for the nation and for helping raise the living standard of the people.

He emphasized commercial exploitation of marine resources and said the ministry has the plan to provide land, techniques and feed and disburse loans to the extent possible.

The minister said that prawn feed produced by Fisheries Department contains only one imported ingredient and the others are available in the country and is even exported to Australia for it meets international standard.

The ministry will help solve difficulties in the transport of fish and prawns, he said.

The scientific breeding station has five deep sea prawn breeding ponds, each two acres wide. Altogether 125,000 prawn larvae per acre are bred in four ponds and 150,000 in the remaining one.

It is estimated that 3-1/2-inch prawns caught from Pond No 1 will fetch US $ 7,000 per ton and four-inch prawns US $ 12000.

(7) Chinese media delegation arrives

YANGON, 25 May - An six member Chinese delegation led by Deputy Director General of Foreign Affairs Department and Broadcasting, Movies and Television Department Mr Fan Guangdi of People’s Republic of China arrived here by air this evening. They were welcomed at Yangon International Airport by Director-General U Kyi lwin of Myanmar Television and Radio Department of the Ministry of Information, Counsellor of Chinese Embassy Mr Yu Tiegen and officials, directors and officials of MTRD.