THE NEW LIGHT OF MYANMAR (Friday 30 May, 1997)
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YANGON, 29 May - Secretary-1 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt inspected plans to renovate historic Shwebontha Muni Sutaungpyi Pagoda in Padaung Township and development of Pyay Township today.

Accompanied by Minister for Construction Maj-Gen Saw Tun, Minister for Industry-2 Maj-Gen Kyaw Than, Minister for Culture U Aung San, Minister for Science and Technology U 1’haung, Deputy Minister for Health Col Than Zin, Deputy Minister for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs U Kyaw Tin, Director-General of State Law and Order Restoration Council Office Lt-Col Pe Nyein, heads of department and officials, he arrived Pyay in Bago Division by Tatmadaw aircraft at 8.10 am.

The Secretary-1 and party were welcomed by Minister for Education U Pan Aung, Deputy Minister for Forestry U Aung Phone, military and civilian officers, members of Union Solidarity and Development Association and local populace.

They inspected building of Nawadae Bridge across Ayeyawady River in Pyay.

Minister Maj-Gen Saw Tun and Project Director U Soe Win of Public Works briefed them on progress of work and efforts for timely completion of the project. Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt looked into their requirements.
(2) **MIC Chairman receives Vice-Minister of Foreign Trade and Economic Cooperation of PRC**

YANGON, 29 May - Member of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Deputy Prime Minister and Chairman of Myanmar Investment Commission Vice-Admiral Maung Maung Khin received Vice-Minister of Foreign Trade and Economic Cooperation Madame Li Guohua of the People’s Republic of China and party at his office this morning.

They discussed mutual trade and economic cooperation, arrangement for investment in agriculture, fisheries and forest sectors and future programme. Present also were Minister at the Office of Deputy Prime Minister and Secretary of MIC Brig-Gen Maung Maung and officials.

(3) **Round-the-world helicopter pilot praises Myanmar’s unspoilt beaches**

(From Our Aviation Correspondent)

YANGON, 29 May - Jennifer Murray, a 56-year old British grandmother piloted her small ‘Robinson44’ chopper into Yangon Wednesday, full of praise for Myanmar’s unspoilt beaches and the hospitality and facilities she could enjoy here.

Introduced by Herr Hannes Schlemmer, the Bavarian hotelier who runs the New World Inya Lake Hotel with his wife, as Captains Smith, their stop at Mingaladon was preceded by one in Chittagong in storm-wracked Bangladesh.

We flew along the coast, in sight of ground, and we enjoyed the beautiful unspoilt beaches of Myanmar all along the way, she told local and foreign correspondents headed by U Hla Tun, Director (News), News and Periodicals Enterprise, and U Sao Kai Hpa, President of the Foreign Correspondents Club.

(4) **Secretary-2 inspects-construction of Ngamoeik Bridge (Parami)**

YANGON, 29 May - Secretary-2 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Tin Oo this afternoon inspected construction -of Ngamoeik Bridge (Parami) which will link South Okkalapa Township and Dagon Myothit (North).

Accompanied by Minister at the office of Deputy Prime Minister U Khin Maung Yin, Chairman of Yangon Division Law and Order Restoration Council.
Commander of Yangon Command Maj-Gen Khin Maung Than, Director of Public Relation and Psychological Warfare Brig-Gen Aung Thein and officials, he arrived at the construction site at 12.45 pm.

The Secretary-2 inspected construction activities.

Then, he met Senior Engineer and officials of the project and gave necessary instructions.

(5) **Dalla gets digital electronic auto-exchange with 500 lines**

YANGON, 29 May - A new digital electronic auto-exchange, set up by the Myanma Posts and Telecommunications of the Ministry of Communications, Posts and Telegraphs, was inaugurated in Dalla this morning.

Chairman of the Central Committee for Bringing about Secure and Smooth Transport Secretary-2 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Tin Oo addressed the ceremony held in Thiri Zeya Nawrahta Hall.

(6) **PRC Economic, Trade Delegation calls on Minister for NPED**

YANGON, 29 May-The Economic and Trade Delegation of the People’s Republic of China led by ViceMinister of Foreign Trade and Economic Cooperation Madame Li Guohua called on Minister for National Planning and Economic Development Brig-Gen Abel at his office this morning.

The delegation was accompanied by Ambassador of PRC Ms Chen Baoliu.

Afterwards, Minister Brig-Gen Abel and Madame Li Guohua signed an agreement on forming a joint work committee for economic, trade and technical Cooperation between the two countries.

Present on the occasion also were Deputy Minister for Industry-2 U Thein Tun, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyunt Swe and officials of ministries concerned.

(7) **Myanmar Embassy opened in Brunei**

YANGON, 29 May-With a view to enhancing the existing friendly relations between the Union of Myanmar and Brunei Darussalam, Embassy of the Union of Myanmar was opened in Bandar Seri Begawan, capital of
Brunei Darussalam, on 27 May 1997 and presently, Minister U Zaw Win is serving as Charge d’Affaires ai.

Myanmar and Brunei Darussalam established diplomatic relations on 21 September 1993 and Brunei Darussalam has opened its embassy in Yangon since 27 February 1997.