(1) Dalla Shipyard launches first of three pusher-tug

YANGON, 1 July—A launching ceremony of the medium sized Hsin-haing 3 pusher-tug built at Dalla Shipyard of Inland Water Transport under an agreement between the Inland Water Transport of the Ministry of Transport and Yunnan Machinery Import and Export Corporation (YMC) of the People’s Republic of China was held at 1.15 pm today and Secretary-1 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt launched the boat.

Also present on the occasion were Ministers at the Office of the Chairman of the State Law and Order Restoration Council BrigGen Myo Thant and Lt-Gen Min Thein, member of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Security and Management Committee Vice-Admiral Than Nyunt, Minister for Transport Lt-Gen Thein Win, Minister for Labour Maj-Gen Saw Lwin, Deputy Minister for Transport U Sann Wai, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyunt Swe, Chairman of Yangon Division Law and Ambassador Ms Chen Baoliu, the director-general and managing directors of the departments under the Ministry of Transport, officials of the Office of the State Law and Order Restoration Council, those of YMC and the Ministry of Transport, the Superintending Engineer and engineers of the Dalla Shipyard and staff.

First, Minister for Transport Lt-Gen Thein Win delivered an address. He said the Government is undertaking major tasks with added momentum for the emergence of a modern, developed and peaceful nation and for the well-being of the nation and the people after laying down political, economic and social objectives.

(2) Fossils presented to Defence Services Museum

YANGON, 1 July—A ceremony to present human jaw and teeth of prehistoric period and Stone Age, bones and stone weapons, two Pyucoins and two books about Stone Age Man was held at the Defence Services Museum this afternoon.
Associate Professor U Tin Aung Han of Geology Department of Dagon University presented the fossils to Secretary-2 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Chief of Bureau of Special Operations Chief of Staff (Army) Lt-Gen Tin Oo.

Present were Defence Services Inspector-General Maj-Gen Sein Htwa, Chief of Staff (Navy) Commodore Nyunt Thein, Chief of Staff (Air) Brig-Gen Kyaw Than, Vice Adjutant-General Brig-Gen Than Tun, Vice Quartermaster-General Brig-Gen Thein Tun, Director of Public Relations and Psychological Warfare Brig-Gen Aung Thein, Deputy Minister for Education Dr Than Nyunt, Deputy Adjutant-General Col Ye Tun, Director of Defence Services Museum and Historical Research Institute Col Ye Htut, Head of Department Col Than Tun of the office of the Strategic Studies, Director-General of Higher Education Department U Myo Nyunt, Patron of Myanmar Foreign Correspondents Club U Sein Win of Kyodo News, President of the Club U Sao Kai Hpa of Mainichi Shimbun, vice-president U Maung Maung of Ji Ji News and guests.

Col Ye Htut reported on fossils.

(3) Secretary-1 attends reception to mark the People’s Republic of China’s Resumption of Exercise of Sovereignty over Hong Kong

YANGON, 1 July—A reception to mark the People’s Republic of China’s resumption of exercise of sovereignty over Hong Kong was held at the Embassy of the People’s Republic of China on Khayebin Street, Dagon Township, here this evening.

It was attended by Secretary-1 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt Secretary-2 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Tin Oo, members of the State Law and Order Restoration Council, ministers, the Chief Justice, the Attorney-General, deputy ministers, ambassadors, senior Tatmadaw officers, heads of departments, local and foreign journalists and guests.

(4) Secretary-2 accepts Great Poet Laureate document donated by Htila Sitthu

YANGON, 1 July—Secretary-2 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Chief of Bureau of Special Operations Chief of Staff (Army) Lt-Gen Tin Oo attended a ceremony to donate the document of Great Poet Laureate Award won by Deputy Minister for Culture U Soe Nyunt (Htila Sitthu) to the Directorate of the Defence Services Museum and Historical Research Institute this afternoon and accepted it.

Also present were Chief of Staff (Navy) Commodore Nyunt Thein, Chief of Staff (Air) Brig-Gen Kyaw Than, Vice-Adjutant-General Brig-Gen Than Tun, Vice-Quartermaster-General Brig-Gen Thein Tun, Director of Public Relations and Psychological Warfare Brig-Gen Aung Thein, Deputy Adjutant-General Col Ye Tun, Director of the Defence Services Museum and Historical Research Institute Col Ye Htut and senior
military officers, U Soe Nyunt (Htila Sitthu), wife Daw Hla Yin Yin Soe and family.

U Soe Nyunt explained the objective of donating the award to the museum.

(5) **Industrial Management Seminar opened**

YANGON, 1 July -Myanmar Industrial Development Committee-sponsored Industrial Management Seminar opened this morning at the Ministry of Industry-2 with an address by Chairman of MIDC Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation Lt-Gen Myint Aung.

(6) **Minister of NPED receives Chairman of OISCA International**

YANGON, 1 July -Minister for National Planning and Economic Development Brig-Gen Abel received Chairman Dr Yoshika Y Nakano and party of OISCA International of Japan at his office at 10 am today. Officials of the Ministry of National Planning and Economic Development were also present.

(7) **Minister for Foreign Affairs arrives back after attending 19th Special Session of UN General Assembly**

YANGON, 1 July -Minister for Foreign Affairs and Chairman of the National Commission for Environmental affairs U Ohn Gyaw arrived back here today after attending the 19th Special Session of the United Nations General Assembly held in New York from 23 to 27 June.

The minister was welcomed back at Yangon International Airport by Member of Security and Management Committee Vice-Admiral Than Nyunt, Minister for Finance and Revenue Brig-Gen Win Tin and officials.

He was accompanied back to Yangon by delegation members Adviser U Ye Myint of the Ministry of Forestry, Director U Phae Thann Oo of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Deputy Director Daw Yin Yin Lay of the National Commission for Environmental Affairs and Personal Staff Officer to the Minister U Zaw Myint Oo.

In New York, Minister U Ohn Gyaw delivered an address at the Plenary of the 19th Special Session of the United Nations General Assembly on 24 June 1997. The minister was received on 26 June by Mr Kofi Annan, Secretary-General of the United Nations, Minister for Environment of Bangladesh on 25 June and Assistant Under Secretary-General Dr Nay Tun of the United Nations Development Programme on 27 June.

The Special Session was convened to review and appraise the implementation of Agenda 21—the programme of action adopted by the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED) in Rio de Janeiro in June 1992.
The Special Session, also known as Earth Summit + 5 or the Second Earth Summit, was attended by over 60 Heads of State and Government, ministers and high-ranking officials from 170 countries.

(8) **Myanmar delegation led by Mayor leaves for Malaysia**

YANGON, 1 July - Myanmar delegation led by Chairman of Yangon City Development Committee Mayor U Ko Lay left here by air this afternoon to attend South-South Mayor’s Conference in KualaLumpur, Malgysia; from 3 to 4 July.

The delegation was seen off at Yangon International Airport by Minister at the office of Prime Minister U Than Shwe, Minister for Cooperatives U Than Aung, Vice-Mayor Col Maung Pa, Secretary U Kyaw Win, YCDC members, family members and Ambassadors of the People’s Republic of China and Singapore.

The delegation comprises Joint Secretary Col Myint Aung, Adviser to Mayor U Kyaw Shein, Division Head U Tin Win, U Kyaw Thein and officials.

(9) **Minister for Forestry receives Chairman of OISCA International of Japan**

YANOON, 1 July - Member of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Minister for Forestry Lt-Gen Chit Swe received Chairman Dr Yoshiko Y Nafano of Organization for industrial Spiritual and Cultural Advancement International of Japan at International Business Centre at 3 pm today.

Heads of enterprises and departments under the ministry were also present.

(10) **Talk on Facts for Life in Ahlon Township**

YANGOON, 1 July - A talk on Facts for Life sponsored by the Women’s Chapter of Myanmar Medical Association and Ahlon Township Health Department was held at the town hall in Ahlon here this morning. It was attend by Patrons of Women’s Chapter of MMA Dr Khin Win Shwe, Professor Dr Kyu Kyu Swe, Professor Dr May May Yi and Rector of Institute of Nursing Dr Win May and members, Patron of Yangon Division, Maternal and Child Welfare Association Daw-Marla and Secretary Daw Khin Swe, Head of Yangon Division Health Department Dr Tin Maung Win, authorities of Ahlon Township, USDA members, Red Cross members and the people.

Chairperson of Women’s Chapter of MMA Dr Yi Yi Hla spoke on the occasion.

Afterwards, Vice-Chairperson Dr Khin Lay Gyi lectured on AIDS, 13r Khin Than. Oo on diarrhoea, cholera and dengue, ‘Dr Myint Myint Khin on longevity, nutrition and iodin deficiency disease, Dr Tin Maung Win on outbreak of infectious diseases in Yangon Division, measures
to prevent and eradicate them and the role of public cooperation. The patrons and officials presented gifts to those who could answer questions on health knowledge.