(1) State Law and Order Restoration Council Chairman Senior General Than Shwe sends felicitations to France

YANGON, 14 July—Senior General Than Shwe, Chairman of the State Law and Order Restoration Council of the Union of Myanmar, has sent a message of felicitations to His Excellency Mr Jacques Chirac, President of the French Republic, on the occasion of the National Day of the French Republic which falls on 14 July 1997.

(2) General Maung Aye tours Leicha, Mongshu Gemland, Mongkai, Taunggyi

YANGON, 13 July—Vice-Chairman of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Deputy commander-in-chief of Defence Services Commander-in-Chief (Army) General Maung Aye, Secretary-2 Lt-Gen Tin Oo, ministers and senior military officers, accompanied by Chairman of Shan State Law and Order Restoration Council Commander of Eastern Command Maj-Gen Tin Htut and other officials, left Bahtoo Tatmyo of Yaksauk Township for Leicha yesterday.

They were welcomed there by Brig-Gen Pyi Son of Loilem Station and departmental officials.

At the regional battalion hall, General Maung Aye met officers, other ranks and their families of Leicha Station.

(3) MEC Chairman inspects construction of UFL

YANGON, 13 July—Chairman of Myanmar Education Committee Secretary-1 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt this
morning inspected construction of University of Foreign Languages on University Avenue.

Accompanied by Deputy Commander of Yangon Command Brig-Gen Thura Myint Maung and officials of the Office of State Law and Order Restoration Council, Secretary-1 Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt arrived at University of Foreign Languages on University Avenue at 10.30 am where they were welcomed by Director-General of Higher Education Department U Myo Nyunt, Rector of UFL Dr Soe Win and officials.

The Secretary-1 inspected construction of four-storey lecture hall building, library and Central Study Aids Department.

They were conducted around by the Rector and officials of Public Works.

Then, the Secretary-1 gave necessary instructions.

(4) Secretary-1 opens International Airport Garden Restaurant

YANGON, 13 July - A ceremony to open International Airport Garden Restaurant was held at the International Arrivals Lounge of Yangon International Airport this morning.

Secretary-1 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt formally unveiled the signboard of the restaurant.

The Secretary-1, the ministers, the deputy ministers, departmental heads and guests inspected the restaurant.

(5) Minister inspects industrial zones in Dagon Myothit (South)

YANGON, 13 July Vice-Chairman of Myanma Industrial Development Committee Minister for Industry-2 Maj-Gen Kyaw Than, together with secretary of the Committee Deputy Minister U Thein Tun and officials of the Committee and the ministry, arrived at Industrial Zone No 2 in Dagon Myothit (South) this morning.

They were welcomed by Chairman of Yangon East District Industrial Zone Chairman of District Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Col Aye Lwin and officials, the chairman of Dagon Myothit (South) Industrial Zone No 2 Supervisory Committee- and industrialists.

The minister and party inspected Tun Plastic Products Factory, U Tun Myint Car Frame Services, preparations of Dagon (South) Industrial
Zone Development Co Ltd formed by Myanma Industrial Production Co Ltd and industrialists for the development of private industries and production of woolen garments for export at Kai Team Trading Co Ltd in Industrial Zone No 2.

The minister and party inspected production process and packaging of edible oil at Dagon (South) Oil Mill of Paing Soe Co Ltd in Industrial Zone No 1.

At the meeting hall, Chairman of MIP Co Ltd Dr Myo Thant Tin reported on the tasks in Industrial Zone No 1 & 2 and chairman of Dagon Myothit (South) Industrial Zone No 1 Supervisory Committee U Ba Than on efforts for establishment of industrial zones.

The deputy minister explained arrangements made by MIDC to fulfill the requirements of industrialists.

The minister elaborated on economic policies adopted by the State, formation and rights of MIDC, establishment of industrial zones, the aims of opening Myanma Industrial Development Bank, cooperation with MIDC, production of import-substitute goods and giving protection to private entrepreneurs.

(6) Chinese National Drug Abuse Control Commission delegation visits Thanlyin, Kyauktan Regions

YANGON, 13 July Vice-Chairman of National Drug Abuse Control Commission of the People’s Republic of China Deputy Minister of Public Security Mr Bai Jingfu and party, currently here at the invitation of Chairman of the central Committee for Drug Abuse Control Minister for Home Affairs Lt-Gen Mya Thin, accompanied by Joint-Secretary of CCDAC Police Col Ngwe Soe Tun, visited the Shwedagon Pagoda this morning.

The Chinese Deputy Minister signed in the visitor’s book and donated cash towards the pagoda funds.

Then, they went to Thanlyin Bridge, Thanlyin and Kyauktan areas.

In the afternoon, the Chinese Deputy Minister and party visited the National Museum and Bogyoke Aung San Market.
Over 35,000 USDA membership applications submitted

YANGON, 13 July—Altogether 15,953 membership applications of the Union Solidarity and Development Association were collectively submitted in Hsataung Station in Sagaing Township on 11 July.

Present were Chairman of Sagaing Division Law and Order Restoration Council Commander of North West Command Maj-Gen Hla Myint Swe, officials and local residents totalling 15,000.

The commander accepted the membership applications of 15 village tracts.

Secretary of Sagaing Division Law and Order Restoration Council Lt Col Tun Arnt presented a computer worth K 130,000 to Headmistress Daw San Myint Wetlet Township

Four USDA members submitted 21,519 membership applications of Myoma NO 3 Ward and 32 Village tracts in Wetlet Township to the commander and Secretary of Division USDA Daw Moe Moe Thein at the compound of Basic Education High School in Wetlet the same day.

Present were officials, USDA members, local people and members of band troupes numbering 20,000 Pyinmana

A similar ceremony was held at Mingala Kandaw Hall in Pyinmana on 9 July.

Brig-Gen Maung Bo of Pyinmana Station spoke on the occasion.

Village organizers submitted 9,906 USDA membership applications of wards and village tracts to Secretary of Township USDA U Khin Maung Htay and organizers U Myint Swe and U Aung Khin.

Two journalists leave for Bangkok

YANGON, 13 X July—Editor U Saw Myint of The New Light of Myanmar and senior reporter U Night Aug of Myna Lain Daily left here today for Bangkok to attend journalism workshop sponsored by Reuters Foundation.

They were- seen off at the airport by Director (News) U Hal Tun of News and Periodicals Enterprise and relatives.