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(1) Thanlwin Bridge (Hpa-an) in Hpa-an Township in-augurated

YANGON, 4 Aug-Chairman of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior-General Than Shwe attended in-auguration of the Thanlwin Bridge (Hpa-an) in Hpa-an Township, Kayin State, at 7.30 am yesterday.

Also present on the occasion were Secretary-2 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Tin Oo, Deputy Prime Minister Vice-Admiral Maung Maung Khin, Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation Lt-Gen Myint Aung, Commander-in-Chief (Navy) Vice-Admiral Tin Aye, Commander-in-Chief (Air) Lt-Gen Tin Ngwe, Quartermaster-General Lt-Gen Tin Hla, Minister at the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister U Khin Maung Yin, Minister at ,the Office of the Prime Minister Brig-Gen Lun Maung, Minister for Construction Maj-Gen Saw Tun, Chairman of Mon State Law and Order Restoration Council Commander of South-East Command Maj-Gen Ket Sein, Minister for Education U Pan Aung, Minister for Sports Brig-Gen Sein Win, Commander of No 22 Light Infantry Division Brig-Gen Maung Maung Thein, Chairman of Kayin State Law and Order Restoration Council Col Saw Khin Soe, State, District and township level departmental officials, those of Hpa-an, Haingbwe and Kawkareik Townships, service personnel, teachers, students, members of Union Solidarity and Development Association, Red Cross and Auxiliary Fire Brigade members and local residents altogether numbering about 40,000.

(2) 30th ASEAN Founding Anniversary Commemorative Exhibition opens at City Hall

YANGON, 4 Aug - The 30th ASEAN Founding Anniversary Commemorative Exhibition was formally opened at Yangon City Hall at 8.30 am today.
Chairman of the ASEAN Leading Committee Secretary-1 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt formally opened it.

Ministers, the Chief Justice, the Attorney-General, the Chairman of Yangon City Development Committee the Mayor, the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Laos and delegation, currently in Myanmar, deputy ministers, senior military officers of the Ministry of Defence, chairman of Yangon Division Law and Order Restoration Council the commander of Yangon Command, diplomats, officials of UN agencies in Myanmar, officials of ASEAN Affairs Department, members of Information Subcommittee, members of Myanmar Thabin Asiayon, Myanmar Motion Picture Asiayon, Myanmar Music Asiayon and NGOs, executives and members of Division/District/Township Union Solidarity and Development Associations, teachers, students, members of Red Cross, Auxiliary Fire Brigade and band troupe and guests were also present.

(3) Secretary-1 addresses meeting on holding 30th ASEAN Founding Anniversary Commemoration

YANGON, 4 August -Chairman of the ASEAN Leading Committee Secretary-1 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt addressed the meeting on holding the 30th ASEAN Founding Anniversary Commemoration at the meeting hall of the Office of the Commander-in-Chief (Army) of the Ministry of Defence this afternoon.

Present were members of the Leading Committee Minister for National Planning and Economic Development Brig-Gen Abel, Minister for Foreign Affairs U Ohn Gyaw, Minister for Finance and Revenue Brig-Gen Win Tin, Minister at the Office of the Prime Minister U Than Shwe, Minister for Cooperatives U Than Aung, Chairman of the Yangon City Development Committee Mayor of Yangon U Ko Lay, Minister for Culture U Aung San, Judge Advocate-General Maj-Gen Than Oo, Chairman of Yangon Division Law and Maj-Gen Khin Maung Than, deputy ministers, the vice-mayor, Director-General of the Office of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Col Pe Nyein, departmental heads and officials.

(4) Minister inspects hostel for foreign students

YANGON, 4 Aug--CEC member of the Union Solidarity and Development Association Minister for Health U Saw Tun inspected hostel for foreign students at 77, Kyaikkasan Road Tramway Township

The minister was welcomed by Deputy Minister for Health Col Than Zin, Director-General of Health Department Dr Hla Myint, Director General
of Medical Science Department Professor U Mya Oo, Director-General of Traditional Medicine Department Professor U Kyaw Myint Tun and officials.

The minister greeted foreign students who are studying under and post-graduate medical courses in Myanmar.

The minister and party inspected People's Hospital (Traditional Medicine) on Ngahtatgyi Pagoda Road. He inspected production factory of traditional medicine research branch and construction of new office for the minister on Pyidaungsu Yeiktha Road in Dagon Township.

(5) Minister inspects airport, port in Kawthoung

YANGON, 4 Aug-Minister for Transport Lt-Gen Thein Win arrived at Kawthoung Airport on 3 August.

He was welcomed by Tactical Operations Commander Lt-Col Khin Maung Kyi and officials. Officials reported on construction of airport terminal and the minister inspected the building.

The minister and party inspected rebuilding of Kawthoung Myoma Bridge and retaining wall and Honey Bear Hotel. They went to the site of Tawwin Bridge where officials reported on construction of concrete wharf.

The minister spoke of security matters and safety of boats and planes during the monsoon in meeting with service personnel of the ministry.

This morning, the minister and party visited the Salonkyun Dipaungmye Mya Zedi and King Bayintaung Statue.

The minister inspected construction of department store and station basic education high school donated by Mr Vickron of Andaman Club Co Ltd.

The minister then left for Dawei.

(6) UMNO Delegation tours Bagan-NyaungU

YANGON, 4 Aug-The delegation of the United Malays National Organization (UMNO) of Malaysia led by Mr Hasni Mohamad, accompanied by EC member of USDA U Tin Hlaing, arrived at Bagan-NyaungU yesterday morning.
They were welcomed there by Chairman of Nyaung U District Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Col Khin Maung Oo, Secretary of Mandalay Division USDA U Tin Maung Oo and EC member U Sein Myint, secretaries and EC members of NyaungU District and Township USDAs.

The delegation met Secretary and EC members of Mandalay Division, NyaungU District and town-ship USDAs.

The UMNO delegation visited Shwezigon Pagoda Ananda Pagoda and Lawka Nanda-Pagoda. Mandalay Division USDA hosted lunch for the delegation of UMNO.

In the afternoon, the delegation visited Bagan Archaeology Museum where Assistant Director of Archaeology Department U Hla Kyi Maw conducted them round the museum.

They proceeded to Bagan Myothit and viewed the lacquerware industry.

The delegation arrived back here yesterday evening.

(7) LPDR Foreign Minister visits Hlaingthaya Industrial Zone

YANGON, 4 Aug - The goodwill delegation led by Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Lao People's Democratic Republic Mr Somsavat Lengsavad and wife Madame Bounkongmany, currently here at the invitation of Minister for Foreign Affairs U Ohn Gyaw, visited Hlaingthaya Industrial Zone this afternoon.

The goodwill delegation, accompanied by Deputy Director-General of Protocol Department U Hla Khaing, Daw Saw Mya, wife of Director-General of Protocol Department, and officials, arrived at Hlaingthaya Industrial Zone, Hlaingthaya Township, at 1.30 pm today.

They were welcomed there by Director-General of Human Settlement and Housing Development Department U Arnt Kyaw, Commander of No 1 Tactical Operations Commander Col Tin Soe of Yangon Command, Director of Human Settlement and Housing Development Department U Tin Win, Secretary of Yangon West District Law and Order Restoration Council Maj Tun Myint and officials.
(8) Third Myanmar-Lao Joint Commission for Bilateral Cooperation meets

YANGON, 4 August - The opening session of the Third Myanmar-Lao Joint Commission for Bilateral Cooperation took place this morning at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

The meeting was attended on the Myanmar side by Co-chairman and Minister for Foreign Affairs U Ohn Gyaw and members of the Myanmar delegation to the Joint Commission, and on the Lao side by Co-chairman and Ministers for Foreign Affairs Mr Somsavat Lengsavad and members of his delegation.

At the opening session, leader of the Myanmar delegation Minister for Foreign Affairs U Ohn Gyaw and the leader of the Lao delegation Minister for Foreign Affairs Mr Somsavat Lengsavad delivered opening remarks.

During the meeting, the two leaders discussed a wide range of bilateral issues of mutual interest with a view to further enhancing the existing ties of friendship and cooperation between the two countries.

At the end of the Meeting, the two Ministers signed the Agreed Minutes of the Meeting.