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

YANGON, 31 Aug - On the occasion of the anniversary of the National Day of Malaysia, which falls on 31 August 1997, Senior General Than Shwe, Chairman of the State Law and Order Restoration Council and Prime Minister of the Union of Myanmar, has sent messages of felicitations to His Majesty Tuanku-Ja'afar ibni Al-Marhum Tuanku Abdul Rahman, Yang di-Pertuan Agong of Malaysia and His Excellency Dato' Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, Prime Minister of Malaysia.

(2) MEC Chairman visits primary schools in Kamayut, Hline Townships

YANGON, 30 Aug - Chairman of Myanmar Education Committee Secretary-1 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt visited primary schools in Kamayut and Hline Townships today.

He inspected Basic Education Primary School 10, BEPS 8, BEPS 15 and BEPS 1 in Kamayut Township, and BEPS 6, BEPS 22, BEPS 4 and BEPS 20 in Hline Township.

He was welcomed by Minister for Education U Pan Aung, Deputy Minister Col Kyi Maung, Deputy Commander of Yangon Command Brig-Gen Thura Myint Maung, officials of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Office, departmental heads, district, township and ward authorities, the Director-General of Basic Education Department and officials, township education officers, school heads, teachers, members of Parent-Teacher Associations, members of Township and Ward Union Solidarity and Development Associations and pupils.
At respective schools, the Secretary-1 heard reports on the salient points about the schools, strength of teachers, population of pupils, teaching, pass rates, renovation of buildings and requirements presented by the school heads.

Minister U Pan Aung, Deputy Minister Col Kyi Maung and officials presented supplementary reports.

Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt coordinated tasks to provide adequate furniture and buildings at the schools and instructed teachers to nurture their pupils to be outstanding in their studies and to possess good morals and observe discipline.

He also instructed them to cultivate their pupils to be patriotic, and know and cherish own culture and traditions.

He gave suggestions on school hygiene, self cleanliness for pupils, cleaning of the school environs in cooperation with district, township and ward authorities and well-wisher organizations and proper drinking water supply.

He called for efforts to achieve high pass rates and urged the authorities and officials to make constant inspection and fulfil the requirements.

The Secretary-1 inspected classes and buildings the need to he renovated.

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(3) **Old Ngamoeik Bridge renovated, put back into service**

YANGON, 30 Aug - The old Ngamoeik Bridge, which links Mingalar Taungnyunt Township and Dawbon and Thakayta Townships, renovated, was put back into service this morning.

Present were Chairman of the Central Supervisory Committee for Ensuring Secure and Smooth Transport Secretary-2 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Tin Oo, Minister at the Office of the Prime Minister Col Pe Thein Minister at the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister U Khin Maung Yin, Minister for Construction Maj-Gen Saw Tun, Chairman of the Yangon City Development Committee Mayor U Ko Lay, Chief of Staff (Navy) Commodore Nyunt Thein and senior Tatmadaw officers, Deputy Minister for Labour U Kyaw Aye, Vice-Chairman of the YCDC Vice-Mayor Col Maung Pa, departmental heads from the Office of the State Law and Order Restoration Council and the ministries concerned, commanders of military regions, district and township authorities, officials, members of the Union Solidarity and Development Association, Red Cross and Auxiliary Fire Brigades, employees and guests.

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(4) Myanmar delegation to attend 18th ASEAN Parliament Work Committee and General Assembly

YANGON, 30 Aug-Myanmar delegation led by Chairman National Convention Convening Work Committee U Aung Toe left here by air morning for Indonesia to attend 18th ASEAN Parliament Work Committee and General Assembly to be held from 1 to 6 September in Bali.

The delegation was seen off at the airport by Vice-Chairman of National Convention Convening Commission Minister for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs Lt-Gen Maung Thint, Vice-Chairman of National Convention Convening Work Committee, Attorney-General U Tha Tun, Joint-Secretary-2 of National Convention Convening Commission. U Aung Nyunt, Supreme Court Justices U Kyaw Win, U Aung Myin, U Than Pe and U Tin Ohn, Deputy Attorney-General U Khin Maung Aye, Ambassador of the Republic of Indonesia Maj-Gen A Poerwanto Lenggono, officials of National Convention Convening Work Committee and departments and their families.

The delegation comprises Joint-Secretary of National Convention Convening Work Committee U Thaung Nyunt, Secretary of Multi-Party Democracy General Election Commission U Aye Maung, Director-General Pyithu Hluttaw Office U Myo Nyint, Director-General of Department of Cottage Industries Dr Than Htaik and Head of Branch (1) U Soe Lin Han of ASEAN Affairs Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

(5) Myanmar delegation returns from Thailand

YANGON, 30 Aug-The 30-member Myanmar delegation led by Commander of South-East Command Maj-Gen Ket Sein arrived back here by special Tatmadaw flight this afternoon from Thailand after attending the 15th Meeting of the Myanmar-Thailand Regional Border Committee held in Chiangrai.

The delegation was welcomed back at the airport by Secretary-2 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Chief of the Bureau of Special Operation Chief of Staff (Army) Lt-Gen Tin O0, Chief of Staff (Navy) Commodore Nyunt Thein, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyunt Swe, Vice-Adjutant General Brig-Gen Than Tun, Vice-Quartermaster General Brig-Gen Thein Tin, Commander of Mingaladon Air Base Brig-Gen Ba Htay Chit, senior military officers and officials of departments concerned.

While in Thailand, the Myanmar delegation discussed Myanmar-Thailand regional border matters with the Thai delegation.

The delegation also paid courtesy calls on the Supreme Commander of the Royal Thai Armed Forces and the Commander-in-Chief of the Royal Thai Army.
(6) MD of Hyundai Engineering & Construction calls on Minister for Transport

YANGON, 30 Aug Managing Director Mr Oh Jin Young of Hyundai Engineering and Construction Co Ltd and party called on Minister for Transport Lt-Gen Thein Win at his office this morning. Also present were Managing Director U Tin Oo of Myamna Port Authority and officials of the ministry.

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(6) Olympic Solidarity Football Coaching Course concludes

YANGON, 30 Aug-The Olympic Solidarity Football Coaching Course concluded at Thuwunna Youth Training Centre this morning.

It was jointly organized by International Olympic Committee (IOC), Myanmar Olympic Committee (MOC), FIFA and Myanmar Football Federation (MFF).

Present on the occasion were Chairman of MOC Minister for Sports Brig-Gen Sein Win, Secretary Director-General of Sports and Physical Education Department Col Hla Myint Kyaw and officials, President of MFF Col Thaung Htaik, officials and guests.

Minister Brig-Gen Sein Win and FIFA Course Instructor Mr Hicham Montasser spoke on the occasion. They then presented certificates of honour to trainees. Mr Montasser presented souvenirs to officials of MOC and MFF, balls for Institute of Sports and Physical Education to Principal U Kyaw Soe Myint and gifts to trainees.

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(7) Agga Maha Saddhamma Jotikadhaja title recipient Hmankyaung Sayadaw honoured

YANGON, 30 Aug - A ceremony to honour Agga Maha Saddhamma lotikadhaja title recipient Hmankyaung Sayadaw Bhaddanta Pannajota was held in conjunction with Vijata Mangala ceremony to observe the 68th birthday of the Sayadaw at Thayettaw Kyaungtaik in Lanmadaw Township this afternoon.

It was attended by Secretary-2 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Tin Oo, Minister for Religious Affairs Lt-Gen Myo Nyunt, Minister at the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister U Khin Maung Yin, Minister at the Office of the Prime Minister BrigGen Lun Maung, Minister for Livestock and Fisheries U Aung Thaung, Chief of Staff (Nave) Commodore Nyunt Thein, Deputy Minister for Labour U Kyaw Aye, Deputy Minister for Religious Affairs U Aung Khin, Vice-Chairman of Yangon City Development Committee Vice-Mayor Col Maung Pa, officials and the Sayadaw's disciples.
(8) Organon seminar on birth spacing methods

YANGON, 30 Aug The first seminar on method birth spacing methods in Myanmar organized by Organon of the Netherlands, was held at the Traders Hotel here this morning.

It was presided over by Prof Myint Maung Maung, Professor and Head of Obstetrics and Gynaecology Department, Institute of Medicine 2. Mr Hans Rouppe van der Voort, General Manager of Myanmar Organon Ltd, welcomed the guests and gave an introduction to Organon.

The first presentation titled "Contraceptive Choices for the Nursing Mother" was presented by Prof Daw Hla Hla Myaing, Head of Obstetrics and Gynaecology Department, Central Women's Hospital. It highlighted the results of studies done with Exluton, a tablet presentation and Megestron, an injectable for three months birth spacing protection. It was followed by various interesting questions and answers.

The second presentation titled "Personal experience with Multiload 375, an IUCD" was presented by Dr Kyaw Nyunt, Head of Obstetrics and Gynaecology Department, No 2 Military Hospital. He exchanged his views on the modern IUCD, Multiload 375, which he has researched. It was followed by questions and answers.

The third presentation "Overview of Modern Oral Contraceptive pills, results of clinical trials on Marvelon, the Malaysian and Asian Experience" was presented by Dr AM Tarnbi, Acting Director, Specialist Reproductive Research Centre, National Population and Family Development Board Malaysia. The guest Speaker gave an impressive overview of the development of modern birth spacing pills Myanmar will now also get the latest, modern oral bin spacing pill Marvelon 2E Backed-up with market experience of over 15 years, he concluded that Matvelon is very acceptable birth spacing pill also for women in the South-East Asia area. Then followed a pane discussion in which the three speakers and the audience exchanged interesting view and questions on modern contraceptive methods to be used in Myanmar.

Chairman Prof Myint Maung Maung gave his concluding remarks at noon.

(9) Official of MEOMA observe Thilawa Port

YANGON, 30 Aug Yangon Division industrial development in-charge Minister for Transport Lt-Gen Thein Win, accompanied by Vice-Chairmen of Myanmar Edible Oil Merchants Association U Thaung Han and U Kyi Thein, arrived at Thilawa Port in Kyauktan Township this morning.
The minister and party were welcomed by Director-General of Transport Department U Khin Maung Myint, Managing Director of Myanmar Port Authority U Tin Oo, officials, Chairman of Kyauktan Township Law and Order Restoration Council and officials of Myanmar Police Force.