In Lweparyin 1 Village, Monghsat Tsp, on the road of Monghsat-Tachilek, one motorcycle was stopped for investigation then one man was arrested with 2,000 stimulant tablets and one motorcycle. At Tarshan Bridge Checkpoint, Mongpan Tsp, a Mark-II car was stopped for investigation then two men were arrested with 30,000 stimulant tablets and one car. At Takaw Bridge Checkpoint, Kunhing Tsp, a Nissan 12 wheel truck was stopped for investigation then the suspect drove away and police arrested him, together with 30,000 g of ICE and one car. One motorcycle was also stopped for investigation then one man was arrested with 50,000 stimulant tablets, 10 g of ICE and one motorcycle. On the road of monestary in Pankautwow Village, Loilem Tsp, Isuzu 12 wheels truck was stopped for investigation then two men were arrested with 169,804 g of heroin and 200,000 g of brown heroin powder in corn bags, and one car. On the road of Taunggyi-Mongpyin, near Zale Village, Taunggyi Tsp, one motorcycle was stopped for investigation then one man was arrested with 2,000 stimulant tablets and one motorcycle. In Sakhanthit Village, Kyunsu Tsp, Taninthayi Region, one man was arrested with 60,000 g of speciosa powder. At (16) miles checkpoint, Patheingyi Tsp, Mandalay Region, two men and one woman from Muse-Yangon Express, were arrested with 29,900 stimulant tablets. In Danyinkone Ward, Insein Tsp, Yangon Region, one man was arrested with 2,800 stimulant tablets. There has been one seizure of ammunitions. In No (3) Ward, Kyunsu Tsp, Taninthayi Region, one man was arrested with 50 g of speciosa powder and 10 bullets.

There have been 193 cases being opened between 2-12-2018 and 8-12-2018, and 249 men and 22 women have been arrested. Seizures were made of 171,995.38 g of heroin, 200,000 g of brown heroin powder, 30,019.51 g of ICE, 6,069.33 g of opium, 7 g of low-quality opium, 60,755.66 g of speciosa powder, 506.23 g of speciosa, two speciosa plants, 2,743,916 stimulant tablets, 267.9 g of marijuana, 244 g of opium blocks, 12,000 liter of Ethyl ether, 7,200 liters of Hydrochloric acid 4,800,000 g of Aluminum Sulfate, 150 liters of Acetic Acid, 9,440 liters of Sodium Hydroxide, 4,000,000 g of Phenyl Acetic Acid, 500,000 g of Brown Charcoal and 10 different types of bullets.

5. To seize further drugs and to arrest drugs dealers, people are urged to inform the Ministry of Home Affairs, region and state governments and to inform huge cases of drug trafficking and other suspicious cases directly to the Drug Activity Special Complaint Department of the Office of the President via following contact numbers:

Contacts
Auto telephone No. – 067-590200
Fax Phone No. -- 067-590233
Email Address – antinarcotics@presidentoffice.gov.mm

Dr. Win Myat Aye separately receives UN envoy, Rakhine committee member, diplomat

Union Minister Dr. Win Myat Aye shakes hands with UNSG Special Envoy on Myanmar Christine Schraner Burgener.
PHOTO: MNA

UNION Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement Dr. Win Myat Aye separately received United Nations Secretary General (UNSG) Special Envoy on Myanmar, member of the Advisory body to the Committee for Implementation of the Recommendations on Rakhine State, Ambassador of Canada to Myanmar and World Bank Group Urban Development and Disaster Risk Management Practice Manager yesterday in Nay Pyi Taw.

In the meeting with UNSG Special Envoy on Myanmar Christine Schraner Burgener matters relating to the status of meeting between Committee for Implementation of the Recommendations on Rakhine State, UN organisations and partner organisations; priority works of naturalization, freedom of movement and closing of IDP camps; work status on receiving returnees; cooperation with AHA Centre (ASEAN Coordinating Centre for Humanitarian Assistance) on receiving returnees; future work status; social stability and balance between the two communities; requirement of spreading news to displaced persons in Bangladesh, Cox Bazar region about works conducted by Myanmar government for voluntary, dignified and safe return of the displaced persons; and requirements of the IDP camps in Rakhine State, Kachin State and Shan (North) State were openly and cordially discussed.

During the meeting with Mr. Roelf Meyer, former member of the Advisory body to the Committee for Implementation of the Recommendations on Rakhine State, matters relating to talk circles conducted in Maungtaw Township for social stability and balance between the two communities; findings from women forums; participation of all age groups in women forum; main points submitted on education, health, travel and trust building in women forum; removing language difficulty as well as other obstacles in conducting National Verification Process to obtain freedom of movement were discussed. In the meeting with Canada Ambassador to Myanmar H.E. Ms. Karen MacArthur matters relating to latest status of projects conducted in Rakhine, Kachin and Shan states; review and assessment of technical support and assistance provided by Canada Government in the three new projects of Health Empowerment, Women's Voice and Leadership and natural disaster management and risk mitigation; connecting with Myanmar Action Plan on Disaster Risk Reduction (MAPDRR) in conducting risk mitigation works; latest status of work on receiving returnees to Rakhine State; drawing up of a national level strategy on closing IPD camps in Rakhine and other states; and cooperation with UN organisations as well as experts were discussed.

Later in the meeting with Mr. Abhas Jha, Practice Manager, World Bank Group Urban Development and Disaster Risk Management matters relating to flood rehabilitation Emergency Recovery Credit (ERC) project implemented in 2015 with World Bank loans, progress and difficulties under Immediate Response Mechanism project, acquiring of Catastrophe Deferred Drawdown Option (Cat DDO) loan were coordinated and discussed it is learnt. — MNA ■
(Translated by Zaw Min)

Myanmar Legislative Drafting, National AML/CFT Strategy Workshop held in Nay Pyi Taw

Myanmar Legislative Drafting and National Anti-Money Laundering-AML and Combating the Financing of Terrorism-CFT Strategy Workshop was held in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday.

The workshop was jointly conducted by the Bureau of Financial Investigation and International Monetary Fund (IMF) at the Hilton Hotel in Nay Pyi Taw.

At the workshop, Deputy Minister for Home Affairs and Anti-money Laundering central committee member Major-General Aung Thu spoke about progress in anti-money laundering and combating financing of terrorism in Myanmar and stressed the need to work for strengthening the legal frameworks, taking effective measures on legislative drafting for fighting money laundering and financing to terrorism.

On behalf of International Monetary Fund (IMF), Anti-Money Laundering/Combating the Financing of Terrorism (AML / CFT) expert Ms. Francisca Fernando clarified the purpose of holding the workshop, assistance programmes to improve AML/CFT systems and cooperative schemes for setting up a grand strategy.

Also present at the workshop were Joint-secretary of the Central Committee for Anti-money Laundering Police Brig-Gen Kyaw Win Thein, the Anti-Corruption Commission, representatives from the Union Attorney-General, Internal Revenue Department, Financial Regulatory Department, high-ranking police officials of the Myanmar Police Force, the Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry (UMFCCI), Myanmar Bar Council of the Supreme Court, Myanmar Real Estate Service Association, the Myanmar Institute of Certified Public Accountants (MICAP) attended the conference. A total of 45 representatives participated in the workshop that will be held until 14 December. — MNA (Translated by Win Ko Ko Aung) ■

Fishing boat sinks in Ngapali; five killed

A fishing boat sank after it sprang a leak off the Ngapali coast in Rakhine State on 9 December, leading to the death of five fishermen on board. The boat was carrying 10 fishermen.

The boat sank around noon while it was anchored near islandsabout 20 nautical miles from Manaung.Troops from the Danyawady Naval Base rushed to the spot andmanaged to rescue five fishermen. Divers also recovered five bodies from the wreckage of the fishing boat. U Aung Myo of Jattaw Ward in Ngapali has been identified as the owner of the boat, which measured 65ft in length and 12ft in width. — Nay Myo Aung ■

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