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Four political objectives

- * Stability of the State, community peace and tranquillity, prevalence of law and order
- * National reconsolidation
- * Emergence of a new enduring State Constitution
- * Building of a new modern developed nation in accord with the new State Constitution

Four economic objectives

- * Development of agriculture as the base and all-round development of other sectors of the economy as well
- * Proper evolution of the market-oriented economic system
- * Development of the economy inviting participation in terms of technical know-how and investments from sources inside the country and abroad
- * The initiative to shape the national economy must be kept in the hands of the State and the national peoples

Four social objectives

- * Uplift of the morale and morality of the entire nation
- * Uplift of national prestige and integrity and preservation and safeguarding of cultural heritage and national character
- * Uplift of dynamism of patriotic spirit
- * Uplift of health, fitness and education standards of the entire nation

Border Guard Forces of South-East Command formed Members of BGF have opportunity to discharge State defence duty with Union Spirit

NAY PYI TAW, 18 Aug—With the aim of ensuring security of the nation and prevailing peace and stability in the border regions, the government is making transformation arrangements for enabling the organizations of national races that had returned to the legal fold to discharge duties of Border Guard Forces of the State legally holding arms. A ceremony to launch the Border Guard Forces of South-East Command was held on a grand scale in Myainggyingu region of Hlaingbwe Township, Kayin State, this morning.

It was attended by Lt-Gen Ye Myint of the Ministry of Defence, Chairman of Mon State Peace and Development Council Commander of South-East Command Maj-Gen Thet Naing Win, Chairman of Kayin State Peace and Development Council Brig-Gen Zaw Min, Vice Adjutant-General Maj-Gen Hla Shwe, Director of People's Militia and Frontier Forces Maj-Gen Maung Maung Ohn of the Ministry of Defence, Director of Public Relations and Psychological Warfare Maj-Gen Than Soe of the Ministry of Defence, Director-General Maj-Gen Hlaing Myint of the Central Military Accounts and senior military officers, departmental heads, members of the DKBA, local people and traditional dance troupes.



Lt-Gen Ye Myint of Ministry of Defence cordially greets members of Border Guard Forces of South-East Command at Myat Wut Hmon Hall.
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First, the State Flag was hoisted. Next, the members of the Border Guard Force recited oaths as a member of Tatmadaw. Commander Maj-Gen Thet Naing Win, Director of PMFF Maj-Gen Maung Maung Ohn, Vice Adjutant-General Maj-Gen Hla Shwe, Director of PRPW Maj-Gen

Than Soe, Director-General of CMA Maj-Gen Hlaing Myint and Chairman of Kayin State PDC Brig-Gen Zaw Min decorated officers of the Border Guard Force with military insignia of the Tatmadaw.

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Photo shows formation ceremony of Border Guard Forces of South-East Command.—MNA



PERSPECTIVES

Thursday, 19 August, 2010

Strive for soonest completion of special projects

Myanmar, blessed with natural resources, is implementing the special projects by providing infrastructures for harmonious development of all regions of the Union.

The Special Projects Implementation Committee held the coordination meeting 2/2010 at the Operations Meeting Hall of the Commander-in-Chief (Army) in Nay Pyi Taw on 16 August. With regard to the implementation of the project, Head of State Senior General Than Shwe gave guidance that the special projects will further consolidated unity in the Union serving long-term interests. Therefore, a modern and developed nation is to be built by expediting implementation of the projects for their completion ahead of schedule.

At present, some special projects are being implemented with momentum; some have been completed and some are under implementation for modernizing the nation. In addition, there are many projects to be extended.

In the agriculture, industry, construction, electric and rail transportation sectors, respective ministries have planned to implement special projects of dams, factories, roads, bridges, power plants and railroads with concerted efforts.

The special projects that are very important for development of the nation are under implementation across the nation. A large volume of investment has been put in these projects. All the officials concerned are to strive for implementation of the special projects meeting set standards and norms for timely completion.

Dy Transport Minister receives MRC Chairman

NAY PYI TAW, 18 Aug—Deputy Minister for Transport U Nyan Tun Aung received a delegation led by Chairman Mr Jeremy Douglas Bird of Lao-based Mekong River Commission at ministry here yesterday.

Both sides discussed matters related to transport sector between Myanmar and Lao.—MNA

Deputy Minister for Transport U Nyan Tun Aung receives Chairman Mr Jeremy Douglas Bird of Lao-based Mekong River Commission and party.—MNA



People's Desire

- * Oppose those relying on external elements, acting as stooges, holding negative views
- * Oppose those trying to jeopardize stability of the State and progress of the nation
- * Oppose foreign nations interfering in internal affairs of the State
- * Crush all internal and external destructive elements as the common enemy

Commander looks into development tasks in Mongton Township

NAY PYI TAW, 18 Aug—Chairman of Shan State (East) Peace and Development Council Commander of Triangle Region Command Maj-Gen Kyaw Phyto on 10 August met servicemen and family members at the hall of Monghsat Station and presented feedstuff to them.

At Monghsat Basic Education High School, he met teachers and presented cash and sports gears to officials.

The commander viewed thriving monsoon paddy plantations and condition of Monghsat-Mongton road.

On 11 August, he met servicemen and family members at the hall of Mongton Station and attended to the needs.

On 12 August, he met departmental officials and social organization members at the hall of Mongton.

He viewed development of Mongton by car.

While in Mongton, the commander inspected construction of the new office of Township Information and Public Relations Department and then visited Mongton Township Hospital.

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Appointment of Ambassador agreed on

NAY PYI TAW, 19 Aug—The Government of the Union of Myanmar has agreed to the appointment of Mrs Katja Christina Nordgaard as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Kingdom of Norway to the Union of Myanmar.

Mrs Katja Christina Nordgaard was born on 5 May 1962. She obtained the degree in Public Law in 1983 and the Master of Business Administration in 1987. She joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 1988 and served in various capacities there and Norwegian embassies in the United Kingdom and South Africa from 1988 to 2008. Afterwards, she worked for a solar energy company from 2008 to 2010 and rejoined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 2010.

She will be concurrently accredited as Ambassador of the Kingdom of Norway to the Union of Myanmar with residence in Bangkok, Thailand. She is married with three children.

MNA

Industry-2 Minister visits Magway Industrial Region



Minister for Industry-2 U Soe Thein inspects Heavy Truck Factory.—INDUSTRY-2

NAY PYI TAW, 18 Aug—Minister for Industry-2 U Soe Thein yesterday heard reports on matters related to installation Chassy Assembly Conveyor Pit, Brake Testing Pit, Rectification Pit, Chassy Touch-up Pit, Inspection Pit, Under Body Pit, Load Body Touch-up Pit at Heavy Truck Factory, installation of machines at Transmission Plant and construction of Technical Training School (Magway)

presented by officials at the hall in Magway Industrial Region.

The minister called for timely completion of undertaking tasks and inspected arrival of machines, preparations for installation of machines and progress in construction of Technical Training School (Magway).

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Gusto to conduct Java programming course



YANGON, 18 Aug — Gusto will conduct "Software Solution with JAVA" aimed at

technophiles who want to build programmer career.

The course is designed to mix programming techniques and ways of thinking for finding solution to realistic problems.

The three-month course starts on 27 August and the enrollment

will be closed on 22 August for the seat is limited to 15.

For further details, one may contact Gusto Technology Training School at No (26), 14 Street (Lower Block), Lanmadaw Township, Yangon, (Ph: 224496, 09-8628806).—MNA

Iraqi official, civilian killed in western Baghdad attacks

BAGHDAD, 18 Aug—An Iraqi official was killed by gunmen, and a civilian died in a separate bomb explosion on Tuesday in western Baghdad, an Interior Ministry source said.

Unknown gunmen opened fire with silenced guns on Ehsan Latif, director of the Financial Supervision Authority under the Ministry of Commerce, when he was driving his car in Amiriyah area in western Baghdad. The gunmen fled the scene after killing him, the source who spoke on the condition of anonymity told

Xinhua.

Meanwhile, a bomb exploded near an Iraqi police patrol in the center of the Abu Ghraib area, about 25 km west of Baghdad, killing one civilian and injuring a policeman. A patrol vehicle and nearby shops were damaged, the source added.

In the northern city of Mosul, some 400 km north of Baghdad, police found three bodies. One of the dead was identified as an officer in the prison of Badushtwo. The other victims were two women.

Xinhua



A pool of blood is seen at the site of a bomb attack in Baghdad 17 August, 2010. At least 47 recruits and soldiers were killed and 77 wounded on Tuesday when a suicide bomber blew himself up outside an army recruitment centre in Baghdad in one of the bloodiest attacks in Iraq this year.—INTERNET

US and allies kill, injure Iraqi people

BAGHDAD, 18 Aug—There has been daily casualties in Iraq since the US and its allies have invaded the country.

Casualties of Iraqi people

The total number of casualties as from the day they invaded the country to 18 Aug reached 702985 and the total number of seriously injured people reached 1271723, according to the news on the Internet.

No.	Subject	Number
1.	Death toll of Iraqi people	702985
2.	The total number of seriously injured people	1271723

Internet

Casualties of Afghan people in invasion of NATO troops led by US

KABUL, 18 Aug—The NATO troops led by the US have invaded Afghanistan and they are there for a long time.

A number of Afghan people are killed and injured due to invasion of the NATO troops led by the US.

Casualties of Afghan people

According to the Internet news, a total of 33089 Afghan people were killed and 39711 injured seriously as from the day when the NATO troops led by the US invaded Afghanistan to 18 Aug.

No.	Subject	Number
1.	Number of Afghan people killed	33089
2.	Seriously injured Afghan people	39711

Internet

Afghan, NATO troops kill ten insurgents in Kandahar

KABUL, 18 Aug—Afghan and NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) forces killed 10 Taliban insurgents in Taleban birthplace Kandahar Province in southern Afghanistan, the military alliance said in a press release on Wednesday. “Afghan and coal-

tion forces killed 10 Taleban insurgents in Kandahar Province Tuesday while in pursuit of a Taleban commander responsible for weapons deliveries,” the press release said.

The press release said that when the joint security forces approached the targeted

compound in Zanabad village of Panjwai District a group of militants ran from the building in multiple directions and opened fire. In retaliation, the security forces returned fire, killing 10 insurgents, it added.

No women or children were present in the building, it further said.

Taleban militants fighting Afghan and international troops have yet to make comments.

Kandahar and the neighboring Helmand Province has been regarded as Taleban stronghold in Afghanistan’s restive southern region.

Xinhua



A child holds an empty bowl while standing in a queue waiting for food to be distributed in the holy month of Ramadan, at a refugee camp in Kabul, Afghanistan on 14 Aug, 2010. Muslims across the world refrain from eating, drinking.

INTERNET



A wounded man receives medical treatment at a hospital in Baghdad, on 17 August. The death toll of a suicide bombing in Baghdad on Tuesday has risen to 45, while 121 others were wounded, an Interior Ministry source told Xinhua.—XINHUA

Roadside bomb kills five civilians in W Afghanistan

HEART, 18 Aug—Five civilians were killed as their car ran over a mine in western Herat Province, a local official said Tuesday.

“A mine planted by militants struck a car in Shindand District on Monday afternoon killing five commuters and injuring two others,” district chief Lal Mohammad Omarzai told Xinhua.

Three women and the driver of the car are among those killed in the incident, and all the victims were members of same family, he added.

Conflicts and Taleban-linked activities mostly in the shape of suicide attacks and roadside bombings often claim the lives of non-combatants in Afghanistan.

From January to June of this year, the United Nations Assistance Mission in Afghanistan (UNAMA), according to a report released last week, documented 3,268 civilian casualties including 1,271 deaths and 1,997 injuries which indicate 31 percent increase against the same period last year. —Xinhua

Pilotless plane crashes in E Afghanistan

KABUL, 18 Aug—An unmanned plane of NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) crashed in Afghanistan’s eastern Paktika Province on Wednesday, a statement of the alliance released here said.

“An unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) crashed in the Sharan District of Paktika Province today,” the statement added.

The cause of the crash was mechanical failure, it emphasized.

A recovery force was immediately sent to retrieve the UAV. The wreckage was recovered, the statement added.

It is the third pilotless plane has crashed over the past one month in Afghanistan. Previously two such unmanned planes were crashed in the northern Kunduz Province. —Internet

Science

Microsoft brings Xbox games to smart phones

SEATTLE, 18 Aug—Microsoft Corp is bringing its video-game expertise to the forthcoming Windows Phone 7 line, an attempt to capitalize on the success of the Xbox 360 as the software maker tries to compete with Apple Inc.'s iPhone. Microsoft says a dedicated group inside of Microsoft Game Studios will develop video games for Windows phones, help outside game publishers and scout out small, independent game makers. Video game companies will be able to use the same tools to make a game for a Windows phone or for the Xbox 360 console.

Microsoft is linking the Windows phone games hub to its Xbox Live service, which about 25 million Xbox and PC gamers already use to check out new games, keep track of scores and send messages to fellow players. On Windows phones, Xbox live members will be able to do those things, plus interact with their animated game-world avatar—a cartoon character customized to look like them. The software maker plans to make its games-related announcements Tuesday at a video game conference in Germany.

Microsoft's Xbox chops may help sway some phone buyers who are already into video games. The company is also hoping that Xbox Live on Windows Phone 7 devices might get a boost from the upcoming launch of Kinect, a motion-sensing game controller for the Xbox 360.—*Internet*



Windows Phone 7 is the next version of the Windows Phone operating system developed by Microsoft.
INTERNET

uDraw GameTablet lets you doodle on the Wii



The uDraw GameTablet is seen in this image courtesy THQ.

NEW YORK, 18 Aug—Video game publisher THQ Inc. hopes to draw in artistically inclined fans when its uDraw GameTablet is available for the Wii this year.

Wedbush Morgan analyst Michael Pachter said he believes THQ will be able to sell at least 1 million tablets. But if the company can convince customers — starting with the kids, then their parents — that they need the tablet, this number could be much higher.

The GameTablet is 9 inches wide and 7 inches long. To use it, you pop in the Wii's controller, which also powers the gadget, and use an attached stylus pen to create pictures or play games. Wayne Cline, project manager of uDraw, said inspiration for the game came from THQ's doodle game "Drawn to Life: The Next Chapter," as well as from the Wacom tablets that professional artists and designers use to create computer images. "We've found it very intuitive and users quickly learn they can look at the screen and not have to glance down at the GameTablet," Cline said.

The tablet will let players save their finished artwork on a standard SD storage card so they can move their masterpieces to a computer.—*Internet*

A reason for diversity of ants may not hold

CAPE TOWN, 18 Aug—There are more than 300 species of nocturnal velvet ants (actually wasps that resemble ants) in the Southwestern deserts of the United States. The easy explanation for the incredible diversification is that as the Rocky Mountains emerged millions of years ago, multiple, isolated deserts formed, leaving ample opportunity for speciation to occur. But the easy explanation may not be the right one.

James Pitts, an entomologist at Utah State University and his colleagues combined molecular data collected from living velvet ants with data collected from ancient fossilized velvet ants. They then created a mathematical algorithm to assign dates of origin to every known species of the nocturnal velvet ant in the region.



Prior research in the region has focused on vertebrates, which take much longer to speciate than invertebrates like velvet ants. "They have shorter generation times," Dr Pitts said. "We should expect that they would speciate faster than birds and mammals, and that's what we found." In total, there are more than 5,000 species of velvet ants worldwide. Dr Pitts and his colleagues are now expanding their study of velvet ant speciation to Central and South America.

Internet

Technology

Time-shifting on TV more than doubles in past year

NEW YORK, 18 Aug—More than two-thirds of viewers have watched prime-time television series through video on demand, digital video recorders and the Internet, the survey conducted for the No 1 US cable TV operator Comcast Corp found. Sixty-one percent of those who responded said they were using time-shifting technologies more than one year ago.

The survey results underscore the surge in multi-platform TV viewing that has sparked a concerted search by broadcasters and advertisers for new ways to uniformly measure viewership. "The results of our 'TV Pulse Survey' underscore more consumers are watching their favourite shows when and how they want to watch them," she added. The survey found that 80 percent of those questioned planned to watch live the upcoming 2010-11 TV season starting in September. The survey was conducted with 1,000 people by International Communications Research on behalf of Comcast. Comcast is in the process of acquiring a controlling stake in the NBC TV network and sister cable networks from General Electric Co.—*Internet*



Two men talk while shopping for televisions at a PC Richard and Son store in New York recently. Time-shifted TV viewing has more than doubled over the past year and over 40 percent of Americans now make plans to record their favourite shows and watch them later, according to a survey released on Tuesday.

INTERNET

No charges in school laptop-spying case

PHILADELPHIA, 18 Aug—US federal prosecutors will not file charges against a school district or its employees over the use of software to remotely monitor students.

US Attorney Zane David Memeger says investigators have found no evidence of criminal intent by Lower Merion School District employees who activated tracking software that took thousands of webcam and screenshot images on school-provided laptops.

A student and his family sued the district in February, claiming officials invaded his privacy by activating the software. That case continues.

The district has acknowledged capturing 56,000 screen shots and webcam images so it could locate missing laptops. Memeger says he decided to make on Tuesday's announcement to close the matter before the start of the school year.—*Internet*

Spain becomes latest country to take on Google

MADRID, 18 Aug—Spain is investigating Google over its "Street View" mapping feature, becoming the latest country to tangle with the Internet search giant over concerns it violated people's privacy while taking shots of city streets. Madrid Judge Raquel Fernandez has issued a subpoena for 4 Oct appearance by a Google representative, Google Spain spokeswoman Marisa Toros said on Tuesday, adding that the company will cooperate with Spanish authorities.

The judge is acting on a complaint filed in June by a private Internet watchdog and technology consultancy called APEDANICA.

In an order released on Monday, the judge said she is probing whether Google committed a "computer crime," according to APEDANICA attorney Valentin Playa. The Spanish probe is the latest opened up since Google acknowledged in the spring that the technology used by its "Street View" cars had also inadvertently recorded fragments of people's online activities broadcast over public Wi-Fi networks for the past four years.

Internet



The Google logo is seen at the Google headquarters in Brussels.
INTERNET

Health

Health Tip: Six ways to relieve stress at the office

Stress could be positive because it urges someone to compete and be more introspective. If stress levels are already above your ability, release it right way.

Apparently, it is impossible to find time to eliminate stress in the workplace, but try to provide a few minutes, and you can dramatically improve the productivity, happiness, and your health. Here are some tips according to How.

Take a deep breath

As you inhale, so you will be more relaxed. Do it slowly.

Move Around

Look for a new atmosphere in a new place. Go away from your office desk, even if it is only a walk get some water. This activity can help you refresh your mind so you can refocus on the task.

Laugh

Read your favourite joke book or just laugh to excite tensions.

Play

You can play with a kind of game that can release the fatigue of mind, like a minibasketball hoop during work. For a fresh mind, you can buy and put it in your work space.

Relax

Close your eyes and listen to soothing music.

Imagination

Visualize yourself relaxing in your favourite vacation spot or completing a big presentation with ease.—Internet

Thailand reports ten more deaths from A/H1N1 flu

BANGKOK, 18 Aug—Thailand's Public Health Ministry on Tuesday reported 10 more people died last week from the A/H1N1 virus, bringing the country's toll from the swine flu virus to 245.

The Bangkok Post's website reported that the ministry's Bureau of Epidemiology of the Disease Control Department said the total death toll was confirmed for the period between 28 April, 2009 and 7 Aug, 2010.

The number of people sick from the H1N1 virus started to rise in early July, along with the spread of seasonal influenza during the rainy season, the department said.

Health officials nationwide have been instructed to closely watch the situation to reduce the infection and death rates.

Some 38 people were confirmed to have been infected with the A/H1N1 virus during the period of 25 July to 7 Sept, the department said.—Xinhua



Deaths from heart attack rise with delays in care

COPENHAGEN, 18 Aug—Deaths from a severe type of heart attack rise by about 10 percent for every hour of delay between the time the patient calls for an ambulance and the time that patient is treated in the hospital, a new European study finds.

Researchers in Denmark analyzed data from Danish medical registries on 6,209 patients taken by ambulance to three major hospitals for an ST-segment elevation myocardial infarction (STEMI), a particularly serious type of heart attack caused by a blocked artery, between January 2002 and December 2008.

During a median follow-up period of 3.5 years, about 15.4 percent of patients died in the group that waited less than an hour from the time they called for an ambulance to the time they were being treated at the hospital, compared to 23.3 percent of those treated in up to two hours; 28.1 percent of those treated within just over two to three hours; and 30.8 percent of those treated within three to four hours.

Previous research has focused on delays in such care (called door-to-balloon delay, since the preferred treatment is known informally as balloon angioplasty), the researchers noted.

"Our message is we should focus on all healthcare system delays, which often starts with the call for the ambulance," Terkelsen said.—Internet

The head of the World Health Organization in China says widespread smoking in the Asian nation should be given the same attention as an outbreak of the deadly SARS disease.

INTERNET

Business

Intel to buy TI's cable modem unit

SAN FRANCISCO, 18 Aug—Intel Corp on Monday announced that it is buying Texas Instruments Inc (TI)'s cable modem product line, a purchase the world's largest chip maker believed will enhance its focus on cable industry and related consumer electronics markets.

Intel said it plans to combine TI's technologies with its own to deliver advanced set-top box, residential



gateway and modem products for the cable industry.

"Adding the talents of the Texas Instruments' cable team to Intel's efforts to bring its advanced technology to consumer electronics makes for a compelling combination," Bob Ferreira, an executive of Intel's Digital Home Group, said in a statement.

The transaction is expected to close in the fourth quarter this year, Intel said, without disclosing further terms. Intel said all employees of TI's cable modem team received offers to join Intel at sites in their home countries, primarily in Israel, and will become part of Intel's Digital Home Group.—Xinhua

Tsingtao Brewery reports 30% growth in profit for H1 on surge in high-end beer sales

BEIJING, 18 Aug—Tsingtao Brewery Co., China's second-largest brewer by volume, said on Monday its profit for the first half of the year climbed 29.74 percent year on year as sales of its high-end beers surged.

Net profit totalled 830 million yuan (122 million US dollars) in the first six months as sales increased 9.3 percent to 9.81 billion yuan.

Earnings per share rose to 0.614 yuan, up 25.56 percent from a year earlier, the brewer said in a statement filed with the Shanghai Stock Exchange.

The company attributed the profit growth to strong demand for its high-end beer and saw a rise of 26.7 percent in sales of the high-end beer from January to June.

The brewer said it would increase production and continue to implement its current marketing strategy in the second half to snare a larger market share.

The company will also "actively look for" merger and acquisition opportunities in the second half to expand its presence in the beer market, the statement said.

The company's A-shares dropped 0.03 percent to open at 35.81 yuan per share on Monday.—Xinhua

A businessman, seen through a window decorated with dots, crosses a street in Tokyo on 16 Aug, 2010.

INTERNET

Toronto housing slump deepens

TORONTO, 18 Aug—The slump in housing sales accelerated in August, the Greater Toronto Real Estate Board said.

Sales in Toronto were down 29 per cent in the first two weeks of August compared to last year.

The number of new listings were 8 per cent lower than last year at 4,770.

"It makes sense that the number of transactions has dipped over the past few months in comparison to last year's record results," said board president Bill Johnston.

The average resale price nationally was \$330,351, according to CREA. In June, the price was \$342,662.

Economists suggest many Canadians bought houses earlier in the year than they would have otherwise to take advantage of low interest rates and to beat the introduction of new taxes in British Columbia and Ontario. This caused abnormal gains in the first half of the year, but is expected to mean a lull as the year winds down.

Internet





The websites of Bing and Yahoo! are displayed on computer monitors. Bing will start powering Internet searches at Yahoo! web pages in North America this week as the technology firms combine forces to take on Google.—INTERNET

Nearly 80% of Gulf spill oil still in water

WASHINGTON, 18 Aug—Nearly 80 percent of the oil spilled from a BP well in the Gulf of Mexico is still in the gulf, US scientists have estimated, challenging a more optimistic assessment by the US government earlier in the month.

In its 4 Aug report, the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration found that half the 4.9 million barrels of oil spilled by the 20 April blowout had been evaporated, burned, skimmed or dispersed.

A team of five scientists from the University of Georgia did their own analysis of the government data and came to a different conclusion.

"We just reanalyzed this report and then we calculated how much oil is still likely to be out there and that is how we came up to 70 to 79 percent that must be out there," said Charles Hopkinson, a marine scientist at the University of Georgia.

"One major misconception is that oil that has dissolved into water is gone and therefore, harmless," he said.

"The oil is still out there and it will likely take years to completely degrade. We are still far from a complete understanding of what its impacts are," he said.—*Internet*



A waitress carrying an umbrella walks down the driveway to Chateau Laffitte Hotel, an imitation of the 1650 Chateau Maisons-Laffitte by French architect Francois Mansart, located on the outskirts of Beijing on 16 Aug, 2010.

INTERNET

Jockey of Selva parish Alberto Ricceri (bottom) falls during the Palio race in Siena on 16 Aug, 2010.

INTERNET

More parents in Shanghai send kids for kungfu classes

SHANGHAI, 18 Aug—Summer holidays are here. But instead of enrichment classes at summer school, a number of children in Shanghai are picking up another skill.

Rather than wield electronic games, they are now throwing real punches.

And kungfu classes have seen an increase in enrolment this year.

"Lately parents have been sending their children to learn martial arts because they want their kids to grow stronger and have more confidence.

The kindergarten stabbing cases is another reason. Teaching kids kungfu can increase their awareness of self-defence," said head coach Liang Sheng Wen. A series of attacks on schoolchildren left more than 20 dead earlier this year.

Concerned parents want to make sure their children know what to do.

So the focus of the kungfu classes is to teach kids how react to threats and evade potential attackers.

"There are several reasons for getting him to learn martial arts. First of all, it can strengthen his body and



Children in Shanghai attend kungfu classes.

INTERNET

increase his awareness of self-defence," said one grandparent. But for the little ones, it's just another fun activity. "Firstly, after learning Taekwondo I can protect myself. Secondly, it can also strengthen my will power.

Thirdly, I can make more friends," said a young Chinese girl who is enrolled in a kungfu class.

Internet

Sony Playstation 3 to come with more memory



A model holds the latest Playstation 3. Sony Computer Entertainment America announced on Tuesday it is beefing up the storage capacity of PlayStation 3 (PS3) videogame consoles that will be available in North America.

INTERNET

TOKYO, 18 Aug—Sony Corp's Playstation 3 will feature higher-capacity hard drives in North America this fall to let consumers download more games and entertainment, the company said on Tuesday.

"In the greater scheme of things, it means nothing. Every year the price of storage goes down so the average storage in any device goes up," said Daniel Ernst, analyst with Hudson Square Research.

The game console will come with about 33 percent more storage capacity than previous versions, but at least one analyst said that it is not likely to be a major selling point for consumers.

Sony said the new models of the Playstation 3 will include one with 320 gigabytes of memory in the PS3 Sports Champions Move bundle, with a suggested retail price of \$399.99.

From October, the company will also start selling a 160-gigabyte PS3 in combination with its Move motion-control game system in Europe, it announced at a news conference in Cologne, Germany, a day ahead of Gamescom, Europe's largest video game trade fair.

Internet



HP to buy software security company Fortify

SAN FRANCISCO, 18 Aug—Hewlett-Packard Co (HP) on Tuesday announced that it is buying software security company Fortify to broaden its offerings of application security solutions.

In a press release, HP said the purchase will enable it to offer a complete solution that helps organizations reduce business risk and protect against malicious attacks "by integrating security assurance

seamlessly across the application life cycle."

Fortify, a privately held company based in San Mateo in the US state of California, provides products and services that are designed to protect companies from the threats posed by security flaws in business-critical software applications. HP plans to run Fortify initially as a standalone entity and eventually integrate it into HP's Software and Solutions business. The terms of the deal were not disclosed by HP.—*Xinhua*

Helicopter with four aboard crashes in Quebec, Canada

OTTAWA, 18 Aug—A helicopter carrying three passengers and the pilot crashed on Tuesday afternoon in a remote area north of Sept-Iles in Quebec, Canada, local police said.

A rescue unit and investigators are on their way to the scene and it's not immediately known if there is any survivor.

The helicopter sent a distress signal to its company and the owner of the company then called police, said Patrick Lowe, Quebec provincial police spokesperson for the Cote-Nord.—*Xinhua*



Hoover Tower is seen through a window at the Cecil H. Green Library on the Stanford University Campus in Stanford, California. Harvard topped a ranking of world universities published on Friday by a Shanghai college for the eighth year running, followed by the University of California at Berkeley and Stanford.—INTERNET



Rights to assemble and canvass for Hluttaw ...

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7. **Points to be included in the application:** In applying for the permission, Hluttaw candidates and election representatives concerned shall have to apply mentioning that they shall assemble and give talks in accord with the prohibitions, provisions included in the permission and principles. In addition, they shall have to include the following detailed points in the application.
 - (a) planned venue
 - (b) planned date
 - (c) starting time and finishing time (estimate)
 - (d) number of attendees (estimate)
 - (e) the name, NRC No. and address of a speaker or speakers
 - (f) the name, NRC No. and address of the applicant
8. **Sub-commission's scrutiny:** With regard to applying for permission according to Paras 4, 6 and 7, the sub-commission can:
 - (a) issue the permission or reject the application after scrutinizing the application as necessary.
 - (b) The following points shall be stated in the permission order when issued:
 - (1) Permitted date and place
 - (2) Starting time and finishing time
 - (3) Name, NRC No. and address of a permitted speaker or speakers
 - (c) In issuing the permission, the points prohibiting the act of holding flags and shouting slogans in procession in going to the designated place for the assembly and talk and the points stating to disperse without shouting slogans in procession shall be stipulated.
 - (d) The following points shall be stipulated as necessary in issuing the permission:
 - (1) Not to cause any disturbances to public places such as government offices, organizations, factories, workshops and work places, markets, sports grounds, religious places, schools and hospitals
 - (2) Not to exceed the seating capacity if the venue of the assembly and talk is a building or hall. (To take the responsibility of ensuring that there is no public assembling outside the building or hall)
 - (3) If the venue of the assembly and talk is an open ground, its holding capacity shall not be exceeded.
 - (4) Not to hold or carry any sticks, swords, weapons and ammunition and other harmful items
 - (5) Not to disturb the traffic and block roads
 - (6) To amplify the sound box to the degree that is just enough for the permitted hall or ground in order not to cause any disturbances to the surrounding areas
 - (7) Sound amplification system shall be according to the existing laws and principles
 - (8) Other necessary stipulations
 - (e) Permit shall be issued 48 hours prior to the time of the commencement of the assembly and talk. Any rejection to the permit shall be informed 48 hours prior to the time of the commencement of the assembly and talk together with the reason to do so.
 - (f) If necessary for ensuring of security, the rule of law and community peace, the provisions stipulated in this Notification shall be amended or revoked.
 - (g) Allowable public places in the regions concerned for assembling and giving public talks shall be designated in advance in coordination with the Peace and Development Councils concerned.

- (h) Coordination shall be carried out in order that the Peace and Development Councils concerned and security forces can safeguard assembling and giving public talks.

- (i) Coordination shall be carried out in order that the Peace and Development Councils concerned and security forces can take necessary preventive measures against any threats to security, the rule of law and community peace.

Rights to publish publications

9. If candidates and election representatives want to publish and distribute papers, books and pamphlets on their policies, stances and programmes for public knowledge, they shall follow the 1962 Printers and Publishers Registration Law and the stipulations in Directive No (42) dated 17 March 2010 issued by the Central Supervisory Committee for Printers and Publishers Registration and Scrutinization under the Ministry of Information.

Restrictions

10. Candidates and election representatives shall not breach any of the following restrictions in assembling, giving public talks and distributing publications.
 - (a) activities that can harm Non-disintegration of the Union, Non-disintegration of national solidarity and Perpetuation of sovereignty,
 - (b) activities that can harm security, the rule of law, community peace,
 - (c) disobeying the State Constitution of the Union of Myanmar and existing laws,
 - (d) giving public talks and distributing publications with the intention of inciting sedition or tarnishing the image of the State,
 - (e) giving public talks and distributing publications with intent to break up or tarnish the image of the Tatmadaw,
 - (f) distributing publications, giving public talks or organizing people to provoke racial, religious, individual or public conflicts, or harm dignity and morals,
 - (g) misusing religion for political gains,
 - (h) instigating riots and distributing publications with intent to harm peaceful learning,
 - (i) instigating riots and distributing publications with intent to incite service personnel not to discharge their duties well or take to the streets against the government,
11. Candidates and election representatives shall not breach the existing laws, and restrictions contained in this Notification and stipulations of the permission in assembling and distributing publications to present their policies, stances and programmes.
12. Any candidate or election representative is liable for action taken in accordance with Political Parties Registration Law and the Election Laws concerned in addition to existing law if they disobey any of the restrictions contained in this Notification, or stipulations prescribed in the permission.
13. Therefore, it is hereby announced that candidates and election representatives are to honour this Notification in assembling, giving public talks and distributing publications for their candidates to win in the elections, to ensure that the multiparty democracy general elections due to be held in 2010 are free and fair.

By order

Sd/Thein Soe
Chairman

Union Election Commission

Border Guard Forces of South-East...

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The commander delivered an opening address. The director of PMFF also made an address.

In his speech, Vice-Chairman of DKBA U Kyaw Than said:

At the outset, I would like to greet you may the people, national brethren and all the people of Kayin State be auspicious and happy.

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of the people. Since then, they have been carrying out tasks in cooperation with the government, the people and the Tatmadaw.

DKBA members are carrying out development of the state with might and main in their respective sectors.

Since its establishment, DKBA was formed with good attitude. Under the advice of Myainggyingyu Sayadaw

sistance for development of Kayin State. Assistance was provided for education sector including the opening of universities, colleges and vocational schools. In addition, a total of 16 bridges above 180 feet long and 274 bridges under 180 feet long were constructed in the state. The government constructed 271 miles long motor roads including 144 miles long asphalt roads. Moreover, about 1500 libraries were opened for broadening the horizons of the local



Commander Maj-Gen Thet Naing Win and Director of PMFF Maj-Gen Maung Maung Ohn decorate an officer of BGF with military insignia of Tatmadaw.—MNA



Vice-Chairman of DKBA U Kyaw Than makes a speech at formation ceremony of BGF of South-East Command.—MNA

nation, invitation of the government and amity of the people of Kayin State, DKBA became a peace group after returning to the embrace of the people on 21 December 1994 for serving the State and the national interests and for discharging duties of security. In the time of the Tatmadaw government, 17 large and many small national race armed groups made peace from 1988 to 1990 due to the goodwill of the Head of State and warm welcome

U Sujana and with warm welcome and assistance of the State, the local national races including members of DKBA are enjoying fruits of development in social, economic and education sectors.

It is obvious that DKBA is undertaking regional development tasks on construction of roads, bridges, dispensaries and schools for serving the interest of the people.

Likewise, the government has rendered as-



Members of Border Guard Forces taking oaths as a member of Tatmadaw at the ceremony to form BGF.—MNA

Local national races attending the ceremony to form Border Guard Forces held in Myainggyingyu Region of Hlaingbwe Township, Kayin State.—MNA



people.

The neo-colonialists and internal and external axe-handles, who are not happy with the scenes that DKBA troops and their family members are working in harmony with the government, the people and the Tatmadaw, are resorting to all possible means to undermine our consolidated unity.

BBC is airing distorted news. VOA is air-

ing tricky news. RFA is sowing hatred among the people. DVB is instigating public outrage. Insurgents stick to subversive acts taking refuge in border lines to disrupt nation-building tasks. In consequence, the people of Kayin State suffered a lot due to destructive acts. The conditions called for security and peace along border areas. Whether Kayin State and its people will enjoy higher social-economic status

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Lt-Gen Ye Myint of Ministry of Defence meets members of Border Guard Forces of South-East Command.—MNA

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completely rests on all of us, the people of the state. Peace is the key to development of a nation. Only peace is restored, will it be possible to serve the national interest. Previously, what we could do our best was to shoulder tasks for temporary peace. However, now, we will soon be able to discharge border areas defend duties more effectively as border guard forces.

I would like to invite the remnant national brethren still in the underground to embrace the peace of the motherland and collaboratively carry out tasks with a strong sense of Union Spirit in the interest of the people of Kayin State as well as national brethren, instead of placing any trust in the plots to incite animosity among the brethren by neo-colonialists, politician dissidents and national traitors. Free and fair elections will be held

soon. The elections, the fifth step of the State's seven-step Road Map, will take place on 7 November 2010 to shape the nation into a developed and discipline-flourishing one. Hpa-an also saw a mass rally to support the National Convention and the constitution on 9 October 2007. The constitution was approved by 92.48 per cent of the voters through the referendum held in 2008. That denoted how much the people admired and valued the constitution.

The Myanmar history shows that when the leadership role was entrusted to party politicians, they were found focusing on power and self interests. In consequence, the national cause was diverted from its course. Therefore, I would say that there can emerge a democratic nation with flourishing discipline only if politicians and intellectuals and intelligentsia with a sense



Commander Maj-Gen Thet Naing Win plants a sapling in commemoration of forming Border Guard Forces of South-East Command.—MNA

of Union Spirit and servicemen, who are also national forces, work in harmony through check and balance system.

In a bid to build a discipline-flourishing democratic nation, DKBA

forces were formed with the benevolent attitude and loving-kindness of the leaders of State along with esprit de corps in order that we would have opportunity to safeguard border areas. I would like

Since its establishment, DKBA was formed with good attitude. Under the advice of Myainggyingu Sayadaw U Sujana and with warm welcome and assistance of the State, the local national races including members of DKBA are enjoying fruits of development in social, economic and education sectors.



Vice-Chairman of DKBA U Kyaw Than plants a sapling to mark formation of Border Guard Forces of South-East Command.—MNA

to express my thanks for legally forming our troops into border guard forces. The government provides border guard forces with salaries, rations and accommodations as that provided for servicemen.

The government also provides cash assistance for older persons and disabled people who are not members of border guard forces. I thank the government for its kindness.

In conclusion, I would pledge that members of our border guard forces that have been formed with DKBA troops will shoulder security tasks with a sense of duty in cooperation with the Tatmadaw. And older persons who are not members of the border guard force will shoulder national duties steadfastly with a sense of Union Spirit.

Next, Commander Maj-Gen Thet Naing Win and Director of PMFF Maj-Gen Maung Maung Ohn presented cash (See page 10)



Members of Border Guard Forces, Kayin, Mon and Pa-O damsels and local people joyfully dancing at formation of BGF of South-East Command.—MNA

Border Guard Forces of South-East...



National race damsels seen at formation ceremony of Border Guard Forces of South-East Command.—MNA

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assistance provided by the Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services to the commandants of Border Guard Forces through a commandant of DKBA.

The members of Border Guard Forces together with female Kayin, Mon and Pa-O national

races and local people sang the songs in chorus and enjoyed the traditional dances.

The local cultural dance troupes also performed traditional dances.

Lt-Gen Ye Myint, the commander and party together with leaders of

local national races planted trees in commemorative of forming Border Guard Forces. They posed for documentary photo with members of Border Guard Forces.

At the ceremony to provide cash assistance to those who could participate in forming BGF and

disabled persons, Lt-Gen Ye Myint presented cash assistance and cordially greeted them.

A luncheon was hosted at Thitsa Linmyaing Hall in Myainggying region. At Myat Wut Hmon hall, Lt-Gen Ye Myint met members of the Border Guard Forces and cordially greeted them.

Thanks to launching Border Guard Forces, the national race armed groups that had returned to the legal fold are pleased and are taking pride in the opportunity to discharge State defence duty by legally holding arms with Union Spirit upholding Our Three Main National Causes with a view to restoring

peace and stability of the border regions forever.

Likewise, the local people welcome and encourage the formation of the border guard forces for their peace and stability, for their social-economic status and development and security and perpetual peace of border area.

MNA



National race damsels and members of BGF joyfully dancing at formation ceremony of Border Guard Forces of South-East Command.

MNA

Political parties submit lists of members to UEC

NAY PYI TAW, 18 Aug—Political parties are to submit the lists of their members organized in line with Political Parties Registration Rule 13 (a) to the Union Election Commission within 90 days as from registration has been granted. The Union Solidarity and Development Party submitted the list of its members to the UEC today.

Up to date, 18 of the 40 parties that have been granted permission to register as political parties have already submitted member lists of their parties to the UEC within the prescribed date.—MNA

Prize awarded to whom entrust gold ring of Pyu era

NAY PYI TAW, 18 Aug — Ma Aye Nwe of Myindawei village in Ywakhinegyi Station of Myittha Township in Kyaukse District of Mandalay Division got prize today for entrusting gold ring of Pyu era, found while weeding, with a ceremony held at Director-General's Office of Archaeology, National Museum and Library Department of the Ministry of Culture this morning.

Director-General U Kyaw Oo Lwin acknowledged the entrustment of the antique ring and said the State is awarding cash prizes, archaeology values surplus to the current prices, to those entrusted

the artefacts in his opening speech.

He also said the State is civilizing the public to hand over the Myanma cultural artefacts and destruction and smuggling of priceless ancient handicrafts are restricted in accord with existing laws.

The Director-Gen-

eral presented K 9,944,087 to Ma Aye Nwe for entrustment of bull-shaped gold ring of Pyu era weighting 106.46 gm.

Ma Aye Nwe spoke words of thanks, pledging to encourage handing over the artefacts.

MNA

Director-General U Kyaw Oo Lwin of Archaeology, National Museum and Library Department presents cash award to Ma Aye Nwe who entrusted gold ring of Pyu era to the department.

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UEC members meet election subcommissions in Kachin State

NAY PYI TAW, 18 Aug—Members of the Union Election Commission U Myint Naing, U N Zaw Naw held a coordination meeting with State/district/township/ward/village-tract election subcommissions in Kachin State at town hall of Myitkyina on 11 August.

It was also attended by Chairman U Nyunt Shwe of Kachin State sub-

commission, secretary U Kan Win and members, chairmen and members from Myitkyina, Mohnyin, Bhamo, and Putao districts, township and ward/village-tract subcommissions.

At the meeting, UEC member U Myint Naing made an opening speech. After that, State commission chairman U Nyunt Shwe reported on progress of work, secretary U Kan

Win on Pyithu Hluttaw, Amyotha Hluttaws, State Hluttaws and designation for National Races constituencies, district commission chairmen on progress of work and secretaries of township subcommission on collection of voters, polling stations and polling box.

U Myint Naing discussed the matters presented by subcommission members.—MNA

D-G inspects fire stations in Yangon South District

YANGON, 18 Aug—Director-General U Tin Moe of Fire Services Department under the Ministry of Social Welfare,

Relief and Resettlement inspected fire stations in Dalla, Twantay, Kungyangon and Kawhmu townships yesterday morning.

During his inspection tour, the director-general left necessary instructions.—MNA

Monsoon paddy grown in Ayeyawady Division

YANGON, 18 Aug — A total of 3,523,081 acres of monsoon paddy has been grown in Ayeyawady Division up to 17 August.

MNA

Charter aircraft forced to land in Stockholm

STOCKHOLM, 18 Aug—A charter airplane with 400 passengers was struck by lightning shortly after takeoff and forced to land back at Arlanda Airport in Stockholm on Tuesday.

"Passengers are now leaving the plane and everyone is uninjured," said Magdalena Ohrn from the charter company Ving.

The plane, an Airbus 330-300 owned by Thomas Cook Airlines Scandinavia, was on the way to Antalya in Turkey with 405 passengers and 18 crew on board.

It was hit by lightning a few minutes after takeoff and managed to land without problems, Torben Anderson from Thomas Cook Airlines Scandinavia, confirmed. Technicians will decide if the plane can lift again after the examination, he added. Ohrn hoped that passengers can get going again.

Xinhua



Two girls play as they sell vegetables in landslide-hit Zhouqu County, Gannan Tibetan Autonomous Prefecture in northwest China's Gansu Province, on 16 Aug, 2010. Three temporary sites were settled to collect vegetables in Zhouqu and supply convenience to local residents.—XINHUA



Photo taken on 16 Aug, 2010 shows the accident site at an under-constructed building in a hospital in Meihekou City, northeast China's Jilin Province. An elevator of the under-constructed building fell down from sixth storey at about 6:35 am on Monday, killing eleven people inside the elevator.—XINHUA

At least 35 killed as bus plunges into ravine in Philippines

MANILA, 18 Aug—At least 35 passengers were confirmed dead when a passenger bus plunged into a ravine in Benguet Province in northern Philippines on Wednesday morning, *Daily Inquirer* reported. Quoting local police officer Senior Superintendent Agrimero Cruz Jr, *Inquirer* said the police had already retrieved 35 bodies, while six others were seriously injured.

Inquirer said the driver of the bus suddenly lost control of the vehicle on zigzagged highway at 9:20 am local time.

The bus was carrying 47 passengers when it fell off the 10-metre cliff, although local television network ANC reported earlier that the ravine was 30 metres deep. Rescue and search operations are still ongoing, *Inquirer* said.—Internet

Boeing 737 plane makes emergency landing in Wellington Airport

WELLINGTON, 18 Aug—An Air New Zealand Boeing 737 plane with 102 passengers on board had to make an emergency landing at Wellington Airport on Wednesday afternoon after striking birds shortly after takeoff.

The Fire Service was alerted at about 1:15 pm after the pilot of the plane reported an engine had shut down.

Nine fire trucks were called to the scene but were stood down after the plane landed without incident at about 1:30 pm.

Air New Zealand said bird strike is behind engine trouble on the passenger jet.

Engineers were inspecting the plane and the passengers were transferred to another aircraft to continue their journey, an airline spokeswoman said.—Xinhua

18 injured in train derailment in Britain

LONDON, 18 Aug—Eighteen people have been injured, four seriously, as a train derailed in a crash with a lorry on a level crossing on Tuesday in Suffolk of eastern England. The two-carriage diesel passenger train was in collision with the sewage tanker in Little Cornard, Sudbury, later Tuesday afternoon and Suffolk Police have described the crash as a "major incident."

The East of England Ambulance Service said two people who had been trapped on the train suffered life-threatening injuries. Two others also suffered injuries which were less serious.

All the injured people have been taken to hospital for treatment and British Transport Police (BTP) said there were 20 people on board the train.—Internet

Man killed by shark while surfing in Australia

ADELAIDE, 18 Aug—An Australian man died on Tuesday after being attacked by a shark while surfing off the southwestern coast, police said.

The 31-year-old was attacked while surfing alone early in the morning at a beach near Gracetown, about 175 miles (280 kilometres) south of the Western Australia state capital of Perth.

A police spokeswoman told *The Associated Press* that the man received life-threatening injuries and died later at Margaret River Hospital. She spoke on condition of anonymity, citing department policy. The spokeswoman said the man was from nearby Busselton. Police said his identity may be released later on Tuesday.

Phil Shaw, regional manager of the state Department of Fisheries, said officers would try to determine if the shark was still in the area, what species it was and whether it posed a risk.

Great white sharks are common off that part of the coast. In 2004, another local surfer died after a shark attack at a Gracetown beach.—Xinhua

Ten people injured in train collision in western Germany



The destroyed and derailed Frankfurt-Paris InterCityExpress (ICE) high-speed train of German railway operator Deutsche Bahn AG is seen after a crash with a garbage truck in Lindenberg near Neustadt an der Weinstrasse, on 17 August, 2010. Nine passengers were left slightly hurt, one passenger remains seriously injured, and the truck driver escaped unharmed, police said.—XINHUA

BERLIN, 18 Aug—A passenger train bound for France collided with a garbage truck in western Germany on Tuesday, leaving 10 people injured and two carriages derailed, police said.

The Inter City Express (ICE) high-speed train from Frankfurt to Paris hit the garbage truck, which had blocked the tracks after sliding down a wet slope, at around 1015 GMT near Lambrecht, 140 km southwest of Frankfurt, federal police spokesman Reza Ahmari said.

One passenger was seriously injured and the other nine were slightly hurt, the spokesman said.

Xinhua



A fireman tries to put out a fire at a storehouse in Kiev, Ukraine, on 16 Aug, 2010. A fire happened at the home appliances storehouse in Kiev on Sunday. No casualty were reported.—XINHUA

Fighters sent after violation of Air Force One space

SEATTLE, 18 Aug — A passenger aboard a float plane that violated the airspace around Air Force One while President Obama was in town on Monday was stunned to find out about the fuss that resulted, saying the incursion wasn't intentional.

The military scrambled fighter jets, and the two sonic booms from the Air National Guard F-15s startled many people throughout the Puget Sound area.

The Cessna 180 float plane was flying to a seaplane base on Lake Washington, next to Seattle, from Lake Chelan in Eastern Washington, said passenger Laura Joseph, of Normandy Park. She told *The Associated Press* that neither she nor the pilot, Lee Daily, knew about Obama's visit or the air restrictions that accompany such a high-profile trip.

The Secret Service interviewed Daily after he landed at Kenmore Air on the north end of the lake, which had been shut down for the duration of the presidential campaign stop.—*Internet*



Air Force One sits on the tarmac at King County International Airport in Seattle.—INTERNET

Texas executes gang leader for murder of 2 girls

HUNTSVILLE, 18 Aug — The leader of a former gang of Houston teenagers who raped and murdered two young girls walking home from a neighbourhood party 17 years ago was executed on Tuesday in Texas.

Peter Anthony Cantu, 35, was strapped to a gurney in the Huntsville Unit prison death chamber and administered a lethal in-

jection at 6:09 pm CDT. He took a single deep breath before slipping into unconsciousness, then was pronounced dead eight minutes later as relatives of his victims, Jennifer Ertman and Elizabeth Pena, looked stoically through a window a few feet from him.

Asked by the warden if he had any last statement, Cantu replied: "No." He

never looked at the witnesses, including his victims' parents.—*Internet*



Randy Ertman leaves the Huntsville, Texas prison.—INTERNET

Pakistan wins more flood aid

ISLAMABAD, 18 Aug — Pakistan won more aid pledges on Tuesday as UN officials warned money needs to come through faster to help 20 million people hit by disastrous floods and stave off a "second wave of death" from disease.

Torrential monsoon rain triggered catastrophic floods which have affected a fifth of the country, wiping out villages, rich farm land, infrastructure and killing an estimated 1,600 people in the nation's worst natural disaster.

The United Nations last week launched an immediate appeal for 460

million dollars to cover the next 90 days and UN chief Ban Ki-moon visited Pakistan at the weekend, calling on the world to quicken its aid pledges.

In Geneva on Tuesday the UN said just 40 per cent of this figure had been reached, but noted that was double the figure of 24 hours earlier.

Zamir Akram, Pakistan's ambassador to the United Nations in Geneva, said the country had received more immediate multilateral relief aid through the UN and direct bilateral aid totalling about 301 million dollars (235 million euros).

—*Internet*

Israeli ex-soldier defends 'shameful' Facebook snaps

JERUSALEM, 18 Aug — A former Israeli soldier who sparked outrage by posting pictures on Facebook of herself posed smirking next to blindfolded and handcuffed Palestinian prisoners insisted on Tuesday she has done nothing wrong.

In local media interviews Eden Abergil, aged about 20, seemed mystified by the uproar over the photographs taken at an army base near the Gaza Strip and uploaded to the social networking

website. "What's wrong with that? I don't understand," she told Israel's army radio.

"There was no violence in the pictures, there

was no disrespect," she said, insisting she had been caught on camera with the Palestinians merely "in the background."—*Internet*



A former Israeli soldier who sparked outrage by posting pictures on Facebook of herself posed smirking.

INTERNET

One in five US teenagers has slight hearing loss

CHICAGO, 18 Aug — A stunning one in five teens has lost a little bit of hearing, and the problem has increased substantially in recent years, a new national study has found.

Some experts are urging teenagers to turn down the volume on their digital music players, suggesting loud music through earbuds may be to blame — although hard evidence is lacking. They warn that slight hearing loss can cause problems in school

and set the stage for hearing aids in later life.

"Our hope is we can encourage people to be careful," said the study's senior author, Dr Gary Curhan of Harvard-affiliated Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston. The researchers analyzed data on 12 to 19 year-olds from a nationwide health survey. They compared hearing loss in nearly 3,000 kids tested from 1988-94 to nearly 1,800 kids tested over 2005-06.—*Internet*



Matthew Brady, 17, of Foxborough, Mass., poses for a portrait in his home.—INTERNET

Boston judge blasts leak in Obama aunt asylum case

Kenya.

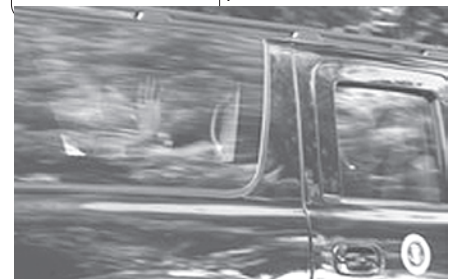
US Immigration Judge Leonard Shapiro blasted the leak by the unnamed official in his 29-page ruling granting asylum to Zeituni Onyango in May. His written decision was released this week through the Freedom of Information Act and first was reported by *The Boston Globe*.

Shapiro found that a federal government official disclosed Onyango's immigration status and her relationship to Obama to *The Associated Press* three days before the November 2008 election in which Obama was elected as the first black president.

The AP's story stated that Onyango, the half sister of Obama's late fa-

ther, had been living illegally in the United States after an immigration judge rejected her request for asylum four years earlier.—*Internet*

President Barack Obama waves to people gathered on a sidewalk, on 17 Aug, 2010.—INTERNET



Gulf surface cleaner, but questions lurk far below

WASHINGTON, 18 Aug — Researchers are warning that the Gulf of Mexico oil spill is a big-

ger mess than the government claims and that a lot of crude is lurking deep below the surface, some of it settling perhaps in a critical undersea canyon off the Florida Panhandle.

The evidence of microscopic amounts of oil mixing into the soil of the canyon was gathered by scientists at the University of South Florida, who also found poisoned plankton — the vital base of the ocean food web — which they blamed on a toxic brew of oil and dispersants.—*Internet*



Chu Chung Shing, owner of Hong Kong-based Prestige Crafts, displays an ornately carved mammoth tusk in July 2010. Chu employs 160 carvers in mainland China who craft sculptures up to 3.5 metres (11 feet) long and which sell for up to a million US dollars.

Pa man, 78, rides roller coaster 90 times in day

A 78-year-old man rode a Pittsburgh-area roller coast 90 times in one day — bringing his lifetime total to 4,000 rides.

Vic Kleman spent about five hours on the Jack Rabbit roller coaster at Kennywood Park in West Mifflin.

The wooden coaster is no spring chicken, either. It's celebrating its 90th anniversary — the number that prompted Kleman's marathon riding session on Sunday.

The Jack Rabbit has an 85-foot, double-dip drop. Kleman says he's been going on it since 1959, and usually rides it about 20 times a visit.

Kleman, who lives in Knoxville, Pa., is a member of the American Coaster Enthusiasts.

Mass man fakes death to avoid trial

Massachusetts authorities are searching for a man they say faked his death to beat charges of driving without a license. *The Gloucester Times* reported that 42-year-old Michael Rosen of Salem sent a man to court last week to file a certificate showing that Rosen had died the previous week. After-

ward, a judge dismissed the traffic case.

But a suspicious probation officer heard from a colleague in a neighbouring town that Rosen had checked in four days after he purportedly died. Additional investigation showed the certificate contained spelling errors in the place of

birth, cause of death, and the cemetery. City officials confirmed the document was a fake, lacking a raised seal and printed on the wrong kind of paper.

Police nab man in church roof after burglaries

Atlanta police have arrested a man found in a crawl space on a church roof after a series of burglaries at the building. Pastor Robert Reed of Pleasant Word Christian Centre says the arrest was made on Sunday night. Reed said his church has been broken into 17 times and that the thieves ripped up the church's alarm system, disabled motion detectors and broke out windows.



A watercolour painting shows *Lycopodium* Orchids, a species found in mid-elevation cloud forests from Nicaragua through to Bolivia, which are threatened by logging and agricultural development. Washington's Smithsonian Museum of Natural History is opening an exhibit of pictures endangered, threatened and extinct plants from around the world, officials have said.

News Album



Fashionable handbags in "Gossip Girl" INTERNET

Patricia Arquette files for divorce in Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES, 18 Aug— Court records show Patricia Arquette has filed for divorce from fellow actor Thomas Jane in Los Angeles.

The "Medium" actress cited irrecon-

cilable differences as the reason for the breakup in a divorce petition filed on Friday.

It's the second time Arquette has sought to end her marriage with Jane, who now stars in



Patricia Arquette, right, poses with Thomas Jane.—INTERNET

the HBO series "Hung." Arquette moved to dismiss her previous filing in July 2009.

Internet



Actor Michael Douglas smiles while being honoured at The Film Society of Lincoln Centre's 2010 Chaplin Award Gala in New York City, in this on 24 May, 2010 file photo. Doctors have found a tumor in the throat of Oscar-winning actor Michael Douglas and plan to treat the "Wall Street" star with radiation and chemotherapy over eight weeks, according to a story in *People* magazine dated on 16 August. —XINHUA

Young designers compete for wedding fashion award in HK

HONG KONG, 18 Aug—Young designers in Hong Kong showcased their creative wedding and evening gowns in one of the city's first competition on such attire on Monday.

The Asian Young Wedding Fashion Designer Award attracted 837 entries from 11 countries and regions including England, Canada, Malaysia, Singapore, Republic of Korea and Japan. The competition was organized by Hong Kong-Asia Exhibition.

Internet

Original "Dragon Tattoo" girl lands in Hollywood

LOS ANGELES, 18 Aug— The Swedish star of the three movies based on the "Millennium Trilogy" crime novels is meeting with Hollywood filmmakers this week, while fans digest the announcement that a little-known actress has

landed her role in an upcoming Hollywood remake.

Noomi Rapace arrived in Los Angeles during the weekend and has met or is meeting with filmmakers McG, Joe Roth, Brett Ratner and Ridley Scott, as well as

various producers.

Rapace won the Swedish equivalent of a best actress Oscar for playing feisty computer hacker Lisbeth Salander in director Niels Arden Oplev's 2009 version of "The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo," the US title of the first film in the series.

Sony said on Monday that Rooney Mara would take on that role in director David Fincher's "Tattoo" remake, which will co-star Daniel Craig and come out at the end of 2011. Mara appears in Fincher's upcoming Facebook movie "The Social Network."—Internet



Miss Panama Anyoli Abrego poses in her national costume at the Mandalay Bay Resort and Casino in Las Vegas, Nevada on 16 August, 2010. The Miss Universe 2010 pageant will take place in Las Vegas on 23 August. XINHUA

Cast member Jennifer Aniston poses at the premiere of "The Switch" at the Arclight theatre in Hollywood, California, on 16 August, 2010. INTERNET



Cameron talks to Blatter ahead of World Cup inspection

LONDON, 18 Aug—British Prime Minister David Cameron will miss next week's visit by the FIFA inspection team assessing England's bid for the 2018/2022 World Cup but has already spoken with FIFA president Sepp Blatter.

A statement released by England's 2018/2022 World Cup bid team on Tuesday said: "England 2018/22 is delighted to confirm that Deputy Prime Minister Nick Clegg and Secretary of State for Culture, Media, Sport and Olympics Jeremy Hunt will welcome the FIFA Inspection Team to England next week to assess the country's 2018/22 Bid for the FIFA World Cup.

"The Prime Minister David Cameron spoke to FIFA President Sepp Blatter yesterday (Monday) to discuss the (Brit-



British Prime Minister David Cameron will miss next week's visit by the FIFA inspection team.

INTERNET

ish) Government's plans for the visit.—Internet

Anelka takes the main hit for France's World Cup fiasco

PARIS, 18 Aug — France international striker Nicolas Anelka's international career all but officially came to an end on Tuesday as he received an 18-match ban for his foul-mouthed outburst at

then coach Raymond Domenech at the World Cup, a French Football Federation disciplinary commission decided.

The commission also handed out a five-match ban to World Cup captain Patrice Evra, three matches to vice-captain Franck Ribery and one match to Lyon midfielder Jeremy Toulalan.

Eric Abidal, the fifth player called before the commission—Ribery was not present as his club Bayern Munich refused to release him and Anelka, as expected, did not show up—convinced the commission that he was an innocent party and was absolved.—Internet



The international career of France striker Nicolas Anelka.—INTERNET

Nadal makes no promises before Cincinnati start

CINCINNATI, 18 Aug — Two-time semi-finalist Rafael Nadal won't make promises about his progress at this edition of the ATP Cincinnati Masters after squeezing in a pair of practice sessions.

The Spanish world number one maintained his standard low-attitude heading into the last bit even before the August 30 start of the US Open.

Nadal refuses to look farther ahead than American qualifier Taylor Dent, his second-round opponent.—Internet

Spurs suffer Swiss scare in Champions League bid

GENEVA, 18 Aug—Tottenham Hotspur suffered a huge fright in their historic bid for a Champions League berth on Tuesday, losing 3-2 to Swiss side Young Boys in Berne in the first leg of their play off.

Spurs got off to a nightmare start, going three down within the first half hour as the Bernese side took full advantage of their artificial pitch.

The Premier League side later pulled two back through Sebastien Bassong and Roman Pavlyuchenko and stifled the Young Boys' ardour, easing the task for return leg on grass at White Hart Lane and leaving the Swiss underdogs to rue missed opportunities.

Two minutes after the kick-off, Young Boys' midfielder Senad Lulic set

the tone, with a shot that bounced off the Londoners' post with Heurelho Gomes beaten.

The Bosnian took advantage of a kind bounce off another Bernese player's back moments later to slot the loose ball past Gomes.—Internet



Bern's Young Boys' David Degen (L) controls the ball in front of Tottenham Hotspur's Gareth.—INTERNET

Monaco still goalless after Montpellier stalemate



Monaco's Pierre-Emerick Aubameyang (R) vies with Montpellier's Mapou Yangambiwa.

INTERNET

PARIS, 18 Aug — Monaco are the only club in France's top division yet to score this season after they were held to a 0-0 draw by Montpellier in a delayed match on Tuesday. Visitors Montpellier, who beat Bordeaux 1-0 in their opening game of the season, began positively but Monaco threatened first when Thomas Mangani's well-struck free-kick prompted a smart stop from Geoffrey Jourden.

Guy Lacombe's side went even closer in the 27th minute, with striker Park Chu-Young getting ahead of his marker to glance a header against the outside of the post with Jourden beaten. Park had a penalty

appeal turned down 13 minutes into the second half after appearing to be impeded by Benjamin Stambouli and Montpellier striker Olivier Giroud almost put his side in front moments later, only for Stephane Ruffier to brilliantly repel his bicycle kick.—Internet

City unveil Balotelli as Mancini eyes Milner

MANCHESTER, 18 Aug — On a day when Manchester United manager Sir Alex Ferguson slammed the 'kamikaze' spending of rival Premier League clubs, Manchester City made it clear they were not finished in the transfer market.

Tuesday saw new City striker Mario Balotelli officially presented by the club after his move from Inter Milan.

And City manager Roberto Mancini said the proposed 28 million pounds transfer of James Milner from Aston Villa was nearing completion.—Internet



Newly-acquired Italian footballer Mario Balotelli poses while being introduced to the press at Manchester.—INTERNET

Germany star Ozil quits Bremen for Real



Germany star Mesut Ozil, seen here in July 2010, has quit the Bundesliga and Werder Bremen to sign Real Madrid.—INTERNET

BERLIN, 18 Aug — Germany star Mesut Ozil has quit the Bundesliga and Werder Bremen to sign a contract with Spanish giants Real Madrid for an undisclosed fee, it was announced on Tuesday afternoon.

"We respect that Mesut wants to go and take the next step in his career," said Werder Bremen's director of sport Klaus Allofs in a statement.

Ozil was one of the stars at last month's World Cup and the attacking midfielder played a key role in helping Germany

finish third. With Werder Bremen preparing for a Champions League qualifying match against Sampdoria on Wednesday, the 21-year-old Ozil sat out training on Tuesday.

Real said on its website that Ozil will undergo a medical in Madrid on Wednesday before addressing a press conference at the Santiago Bernabeu stadium at 2:00 pm (1200 GMT).

No transfer fee was announced, but the Spanish sports newspaper Marca put it at 15 million euros and said Ozil was signed to a six-year contract worth around five million euros a year.—Internet

S P O R T S

Results on 17 August

European Cups Champions League (qual)

Zenit St. Petersburg	1 - 0	Auxerre
Dynamo Kyiv	1 - 1	Ajax Amsterdam
Rosenborg	2 - 1	FC Copenhagen
Sparta Prague	0 - 2	Zilina
Young Boys Bern	3 - 2	Tottenham H.

European Cups Europa League (qual)

Aris Saloniki	1 - 0	Austria Vienna
Besiktas	2 - 0	HJK Helsinki

International club friendlies

Standard Liege	1 - 1	Real Madrid
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France Ligue-1

Monaco	0 - 0	Montpellier
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Johnson already looking ahead from PGA blunder

SHEBOYGAN, 18 Aug — On the day after a nightmare-inducing end to the PGA Championship, Dustin Johnson was on his boat off the coast of South Carolina, about as far from a bunker as he could possibly be. "Just kickin' it," Johnson said.

In his vernacular, that meant throwing down cold beers and relaxing with his friends, not kicking himself for a two-stroke penalty in a bunker

that became the defining moment at Whistling Straits and cost Johnson a chance in another major.—Internet

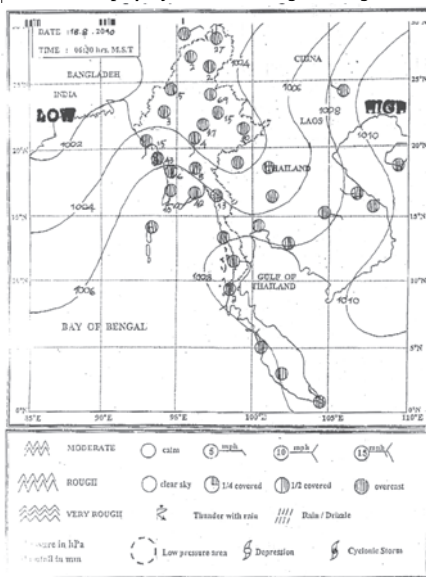


Dustin Johnson talks with rules official David Price on the 18th hole during the final round of the PGA.—INTERNET



Spain's Rafael Nadal, who won't make promises about his progress.—INTERNET

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



WEATHER

Wednesday, 18th August, 2010

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr.
M.S.T. During the past 24 hours, rain or thundershowers have been scattered in Magway Division, fairly widespread in Mon State, upper Sagaing, Mandalay, Yangon and Tanintharyi Divisions and widespread in the remaining areas with locally heavy falls in Mandalay Division, isolated heavy falls in Kachin and Mon States, lower Sagaing and Bago Divisions. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Nay Pyi Taw (Yezin) (2.76) inches, Nay Pyi Taw (Ministry of Transport) (1.06) inches, Nay Pyi Taw (Pymnana) and Tatkon (0.79) inch each, Kanbalu (4.49) inches, Pyay (4.21) inches, Thabeikkyin (3.78) inches, Putao (3.39) inches, Theinzayat (3.03) inches, Bhamo (2.79) inches, Thandaunggyi (2.32) inches, Mogoke (2.24) inches, Kyaukse (1.93) inches, Myingyan (1.77) inches and Mandalay (1.58) inches.

Nay Pyi Taw Weather

Maximum temperature on 17-8-2010 was 82°F. Minimum temperature on 18-8-2010 75°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 18-8-2010 was(92%).Rainfall on 18-8-2010 was (2.76) inches.

Yangon (Kaba-Ave) Weather

Maximum temperature on 17-8-2010 was 87°F. Minimum temperature on 18-8-2010 was 77°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on

18-8-2010 was (96%). Total Sunshine hours on 17-8-2010 was (Nil) .

Rainfall on 18-8-2010 was (1.46) inches at Mingaladon, (1.73) inches at Kaba-Aye and (1.22) inches at Central Yangon . Total rainfall since 1-1-2010 was (51.93) inches at Mingaladon, (58.03) inches at Kaba-Aye and (69.86) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum windspeed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (5) mph from South at (11:30) hours MST on 17-8-2010.

Bay Inference: Monsoon is weak in the Andaman Sea and Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until afternoon of the 19th August 2010: Rain or thundershowers will be scattered in Magway and Tanintharyi Divisions, fairly widespread in Shan and Mon States, Sagaing and Mandalay Divisions and widespread in the remaining States and Divisions with likelihood of isolated heavy fall in Kachin State. Degree of certainty is (80%).

State of the sea: Seas will be slight to moderate in Myanmar waters.

Outlook for subsequent two days:
Continuation of increase of rain in the Northern Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 19-8-2010: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 19-8-2010: One or two rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 19-8-2010: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

McGrady signs one-year deal with Pistons

WASHINGTON, 18 Aug—Tracy McGrady signed a one-year free agent deal with the Detroit Pistons worth 1.3 million US dollars on Monday. The 31-year-old guard struggled last season in 24 games for the New York Knicks, averaging only 9.4 points as a starter after averaging 22.1 points a game in 12 prior NBA seasons.

"I was coming back from an injury and I wasn't healthy enough to play the way that I will be able to play this season," McGrady said. "The difference between my knee last year and this year is night and day." McGrady's stops have included three seasons in Toronto, four in Orlando and five with Houston.—*Xinhua*



Standard Liege's Eliaquim Mangala celebrates before his goal was disallowed during their friendly soccer match against Real Madrid at the Maurice Dufrasne stadium in Liege on 17 August, 2010. —XINHUA

**MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL
Programme Schedule
(19-8-2010) (Thursday)**

<u>Transmissions</u>	<u>Times</u>
Local	- (09:00am~11:00am)MST
Oversea Transmission	- (19 -8-10 09:30 am ~ 20-8-10 09:30 am) MST

Local Transmission

- * Opening
- * News
- * Surprising Myanmar (The Shwedagon Pagoda) (I)
- * News
- * Hiking Mount Phone Yin Northern Tip of Myanmar
- * Myanmar Traditional Boxing Challenge
- * News
- * Living Myanmar Glazed Ceramics
- * Music Gallery
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- * 1st Myanmar Business Plan Competition 2010

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- * 1st Myanmar Business Plan Competition 2010
- * News
- * Kabar Aye Ga Mone Pwint Super Market
- * News
- * TheWorld's Largest Book
- * Music Gallery
- * News
- * Orchids Research form Mount Popa
- * News
- * Muse 105-mile Border Trade Zone
- * Myanmar Movie "Love was Born"

	7:50 am 6. Dance Of National Races
Thursday, 19 August View on today	8:00 am 7. အဆိုပြိုင်ပွဲ 8:10 am 8. “လက်ပန်လွတ်တာ” 8:20 am 9. Dance Variety
7:00 am 1. တောင်တန်းသာသနာပြု ဆရာတော်ဘုရားကြီး၏ ပရိတ်တရားတော်	8:30 am 10. “လက်တွေ့ပြချင်လို့” 8:40 am 11. International News
7:15 am 2. မြတ်ဂုဏ်တော်သခင် (သန်းမြတ်စိုး၊ တေးရေး-မောင်မောင်လတ်)	8:45 am 12. Musical Programme 3:30 pm 1. Myanmar National
7:25 am 3. To Be Healthy Exercise	League MNL Cup (2010) တောလုံးပြိုင်ပွဲထွက်လွှင့်မှု အစီအစဉ် (ဒွဲကပင်ယူနိုင်ကတ်ကတ် FC အသင်း နှင့် Southern Myanmar FC အသင်း)
7:30 am 4. Morning News 7:40 am 5. Nice & Sweet Song	5:00 pm 2. Musical Programme

<p>5:15 pm</p> <p>3. အစောသင်တက္ကသိုလ် ပညာရေးရုပ်မြင်သံကြား သင်ခန်းစာ-ဒုတိယနှစ် (စီးပွားရေးပညာအထူးပြု) (စီးပွားရေးပညာ)</p> <p>5:30 pm</p> <p>4. Songs To Uphold National Spirit</p> <p>5:35 pm</p> <p>5. Cuite Little Dancers</p> <p>5:40 pm</p> <p>6. ကဏ္ဍစုံလင် အားကစားအစီအစဉ်</p> <p>6:00 pm</p> <p>7. Evening News</p> <p>6:15 pm</p> <p>6. Weather Report</p> <p>6:20 pm</p> <p>9. ပျော်ရွှင်စေသောနေ့ရက်များ “အချစ်ကော်ဖီ” (အပိုင်း-၁၉) (ငြိမ်းချမ်း၊ နန်းဆုရတီဦး၊ ဇော်ဇော်အောင်၊ ယုဇနုဒိလ်မြင့်) (ဒါရိုက်တာ-အောင်ကျော်သူရ)</p>	<p>6:40 pm</p> <p>10. ထူးဆန်းထွေလာများကို သိပ္ပံဖြင့်ချဉ်းကပ်ခြင်း</p> <p>7:00 pm</p> <p>11. “နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ” “ချစ်လွမ်းသောချစ်နှင်းဆီ” (ဒုတိယတွဲ) (အပိုင်း- ၂၆)</p> <p>8:00 pm</p> <p>12. News</p> <p>13. International News</p> <p>14. Weather Report</p> <p>15. သွေး (အေဒ်မီးစိုးမြင့် အဖွဲ့ (တေးရေးကိုညွှန့်ဝေ၊ မောင်ထွန်းမင်း)</p> <p>16. “နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ” “ချစ်သူနယ်နိမိတ်” (အပိုင်း-၁၃)</p> <p>17. “နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ” “ချစ်တေးသံသာ” (အပိုင်း-၇၀)</p>
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- ★ Only with stability and peace will the nation develop
- ★ Only with stability and peace will democratization process be successful

- ★ Anarchy begets anarchy, not democracy
- ★ Riots beget riots, not democracy
- ★ Democracy can be introduced only through constitution

People's Desire

- We favour peace and stability
- We favour development
- We oppose unrest and violence
- Wipe out those inciting unrest and violence

- ★ VOA, BBC-sowing hatred among the people
- ★ RFA, DVB-generating public outrage
- ★ Do not allow ourselves to be swayed by killer broadcasts designed to cause troubles

Rights to assemble and canvass for Hluttaw candidates

NAY PYI TAW, 18 Aug—The Union Election Commission issued Notification No.91/2010 today. The following is the unofficial translation of the notification.

The Union of Myanmar
Union Election Commission
Nay Pyi Taw

Notification No.91/2010
8th Waxing of Wagaung 1372 ME
(18th August 2010)

Rights for Hluttaw candidates to assemble and canvass

1. The Union Election Commission already issued the Notification No.89/2010 dated 13-8-2010 saying that multiparty democracy general elections for the respective Hluttaws will be held on 7 November 2010. With Notification No.90/2010 dated 13-8-2010, the Commission also announced the starting and last dates for submission of Hluttaw candidate list, the date to scrutinize applications of candidates and the last date to withdraw applications of candidates if needed.
2. Hluttaw candidates representing political parties and independent Hluttaw candidates who submit lists of Hluttaw candidates to stand for elections of respective Hluttaws and their representatives, shall follow the methods described in this Notification if they wish to present their policies, stances and work programmes and causes through talks or in writings for their candidates to win.
Procedures to be taken
 3. Hluttaw candidates and election representatives may take following procedures in order that their Hluttaw candidates can win.
 - (a) assembling and giving talks at a designated place with the permission of the sub-commission concerned
 - (b) distributing and presenting publications
- Applying for permission for assembling and giving talks**
 4. Hluttaw candidates and election representatives who wish to assemble and give talks at the designated places shall have to apply to the sub-commission concerned as mentioned hereunder seven days in advance.
 - (a) the state or division sub-commission concerned for the townships where state or division sub-commission office is based
 - (b) the district sub-commission concerned for the townships where district sub-commission office is based
 - (c) the township sub-commission concerned for the remaining townships except the townships mentioned in sub-Paras (a) and (b)
 5. Assembling and giving talks at the party headquarters and branches shall be reported in advance to the sub-commissions concerned and it is no need to apply for the permission.
 6. **Those entitled to apply:** In applying for the permission according to Para-4, a Hluttaw candidate concerned or his election representative will have to sign the application.
(See page 7)