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The State is strictly adhering to the Five Principles of Peaceful Coexistence and practising the policy of peace, amity, mutual respects, equality and non-interference in other nations’ affairs. In dealing with nations of the world Myanmar is practising independent and active foreign policy and is also cooperating with international organizations and social organizations including nations in the region, global nations and United Nations.
Join hands in safeguarding national independence and sovereignty

The Union of Myanmar is home to various national races and they have been living together in unity and amity through thick and thin for thousands of years. Myanmar people are very patriotic and they have never taken any kind of aggression lying down.

Our country was annexed and our people kept down by colonialists for more than 100 years. However, many patriotic national people risked their life and limb to regain our national independence. It is necessary to hand down the fine traditions of love for the nation and the people to posterity.

It is necessary for the youths today to value and safeguard the national independence for which our forefathers gave their lives. To safeguard the national independence, we must be full of physical and mental abilities. Moreover, the nation should be strong politically, economically and militarily.

A ceremony to present prizes to winners in the essay, poem, TV quiz and computer arts competitions to mark the 58th Anniversary Independence Day for 2006 was held at the Pyithu Hluttaw building on 4 January and Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Thein Sein attended and gave away the prizes.

In his address, on the occasion, the Secretary-1 said that it was known to all that the entire nation was enjoying the fruits of development in various fields such as political, economic and social fields and that, as there was the danger of destructive elements within and without the nation, it was necessary for the government, the people and the Tatmadaw to safeguard the fruits of development.

The government worked for security, peace, stability and the rule of law. Then by laying down twelve objectives and relying on its own efforts, it started building the nation amidst all kinds of hardships and hindrances. As a result, the nation is now on the right path to development.

Due to the correct leadership of the government and the united strength of the entire national people, peace and stability is prevailing all over the nation now.

The national people are now enjoying higher socio-economic status and great strides are being made in the education, health, agriculture and industrial sectors.

We believe that the government, the people and the Tatmadaw will always join hands in safeguarding our national independence and sovereignty and preserving what we have already achieved in various fields.

Resolution on 58th Anniversary Independence Day

There is no nobler task than safeguarding Independence & Sovereignty. Let us thus dedicate ourselves to safeguard Independence & Sovereignty with the strength of national unity as well as with full patriotism and Union Spirit at the risk of our lives.

Foreign Heads of Government send felicitations to Prime Minister General Soe Win

From Mr Bounnhang Vorachith, Prime Minister of the Lao People’s Democratic Republic

Your Excellency,

On the auspicious occasion of the 58th Anniversary of the Independence Day of the Union of Myanmar, on behalf of the Government and People of the Lao People’s Democratic Republic and on my own behalf, I have a great pleasure to convey to Your Excellency my warmest congratulations and best wishes to Your Excellency.

I have a full hope that the traditional relations of friendship and good neighborly cooperation between our two countries Laos and Myanmar will be further strengthened and developed.

May I take this opportunity to wish Your Excellency good health and well-being and success in your noble task.

Please accept, Your Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration. —MNA

From Mr Svetozar Marovic, President of Serbia and Montenegro

On the occasion of the National Day of the Union of Myanmar, I extend to you my sincere felicitations and best wishes.

I take this opportunity to express my confidence that the relations and cooperation between Serbia and Montenegro and the Union of Myanmar will develop also in future and be enriched for the benefit of our countries and peoples.

MNA

Vice-President of LPDR felicitates Vice-Senior General Maung Aye

Yangon, 6 Jan — The following is a message of felicitations from Foreign Heads of Government sent to General Soe Win, Prime Minister of the Union of Myanmar, on the occasion of the 58th Anniversary Independence Day of the Union of Myanmar.

From Mr Choummaly Xayasone, Vice-President of the Lao People’s Democratic Republic

Excellency,

On behalf of the Government and the Lao People’s Democratic Republic, sent to Vice-Senior General Maung Aye, Vice-Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar, on the occasion of the 58th Anniversary Independence Day of the Union of Myanmar.

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From Mr Lee Hsien Loong, Prime Minister of Singapore

Excellency,

On behalf of the Government of the Republic of Singapore, I would like to extend my best wishes to Your Excellency and the Government of the Union of Myanmar on the 58th Independence Day of the Union of Myanmar.

Our two countries and peoples enjoy friendly relations. I look forward to working with Your Excellency to further strengthen bilateral and regional cooperation within ASEAN to meet the many challenges facing us in the region.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

From Dr Thaksin Shinawatra, Prime Minister of Thailand

Excellency,

On behalf of the Royal Thai Government, I wish to extend to Your Excellency our sincere congratulations and warmest wishes for the increasing prosperity of the Union of Myanmar and her people on the occasion of the Independence Day.

I note with satisfaction that the Union of Myanmar and Thailand have always exchanged close cooperation in various areas of endeavour in all international frameworks. I therefore believe that, with our joint efforts, our constructive linkage will be further promoted for mutual benefit of our two countries and peoples in the years to come.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

From Beom Gung Thae Chae, Prime Minister of the Government of the People’s Republic of Bangladesh

Excellency,

On behalf of the Government of the People’s Republic of Bangladesh and on my own behalf, I extend to Your Excellency and through you to the friendly people of the Union of Myanmar our warmest greetings and felicitations on the auspicious occasion of the Independence Day of the Union of Myanmar.

It is my firm conviction that the traditional friendship that exists between our two neighbouring countries will be further strengthened and consolidated in the years ahead to the mutual benefit of our two peoples.

May I take this opportunity to convey my best wishes for Your Excellency’s good health, happiness and long life and for the continued peace, progress and prosperity of the friendly people of the Union of Myanmar.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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Chavez hails Bolivian ally with energy, aid deals

CARACAS (Venezuela), 4 Jan—Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez offered Bolivian president-elect Evo Morales energy and economic cooperation on Tuesday to seal ties between socialist allies united in their opposition to Washington.

The Venezuelan leader and Morales, a former coca leaf farmer, have antagonized the US Government with their alliance with Cuba and promotion of leftist integration to counter US free-market policies in Latin America.

Chavez said the world’s No 5 oil exporter would supply Bolivia with diesel fuel in exchange for farm products, help finance social programmes and support Morales’ crusade to protect coca crops against US eradication campaigns.

“We can’t lose a day in supporting Bolivia in any way we can,” Chavez said at a media conference where he presented Morales with a replica of the sword used by Venezuelan liberation hero Simon Bolivar.

Morales is the latest leftist to sweep to power in Latin America, in a region that Chavez has long sought an agreement with Washington to integrate to counter US anti-drug policies and promises to nationalize Bolivia’s gas resources.

Mexico demands US probe on fatal border shooting

MEXICO CITY, 4 Jan— Mexico demanded a US investigation on Monday into the death of an undocumented Mexican shot by a US Border Patrol agent as he tried to cross rocks at him.

Raul Martinez, a spokesman for the US Border Patrol in San Diego, confirmed that an agent had fired on a man on Friday as he tried to cross the border near San Diego, after the would-be immigrant had thrown a couple stands in front of a giant ice sculpture of a ship in a park in Harbin, northeast China’s Heilongjiang Province on 4 Jan, 2006. —INTERNET

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Another four houses were hit and three people were wounded in the raid on Monday night, he said.

“We have this information from the Iraqi police and army in Baiji,” said the spokesman, who declined to give his name. The US military had no immediate comment. US forces have used air power increasingly throughout the past year;

Iraqi residents sift through the ruins of a house hit by an air strike in Baiji, 180 km (112 miles) north of Baghdad, on 4 Jan, 2006. —INTERNET

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“We have huge amounts of wet snow that fell overnight and continues to fall. It is cracking trees which then fall on the streets and on our power supply lines,” said Walter Czetzs, spokesman for utility Energie AG. “The problem is that the risk of more trees collapsing makes it sometimes too dangerous for our technicians to fix the lines,” he added. Out of Energie’s 420,000 customers, 15,000 had lost their power supply, he said.

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The drivers began carrying fuel again this week after the government promised extra protection for the convoys.

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“The Mexican Government is demanding an investigation of the facts,” presidential spokesman Ruben Aguilar told a news conference.

The shooting came weeks after a US lawmaker proposed a controversial plan to fortify part of the US-Mexico border with a high-tech wall to stop illegal immigrants.

The move was slammed by the Mexican Government, which has long sought an agreement with Washington to formalize the status of millions of Mexicans living illegally in the United States and regulate the flow of immigrants heading north.

The shooting “shows once again that only a law that guarantees organized, legal and respectful entry (to the United States) can solve the problems posed by migration”, Aguilar said.

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**Development of industries in the time of the Tatmadaw Government**

The economy of Myanmar depends on the agriculture. Priority is given to the agricultural sector and the Government is also striving for development of the industrial sector.

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In an effort to develop the industrial sector, Myanmar Industrial Development Committee was set up in 1995 and the Government encourages the industrial sector. Thanks to the relentless efforts of technicians and industrialists and encouragement of the Government, Myanmar Industrial Sector was booming. As Myanmar is practising the market-oriented economic system, private industries are mushrooming in the country. In 2003, the Government organized 40,000 industries scattered across the country and established industrial zones. Therefore, the number of industrial zones reached 18.

The industries have improved their rank from blacksmith’s workshop to heavy industry that can produce machinery parts. Now, efforts are being made to be able to manufacture machinery. At the time of Tatmadaw Government, it puts emphasis on development of industrial sector based on private industries.

The table shows increase in the number of industries.

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**Independence Day Exhibition continues**

YANGON, 5 Jan — The 58th Anniversary Independence Day Exhibition continued today attracting 5,108 people at the Tatmadaw Convention Hall here.

In the booths of ministries, the health activities being carried out by the Ministry of Health in accord with the objective of uplift of health, fitness and education standards of the entire nation, communication services of the Ministry of Communications, Posts and Telecommunications and the principles of bio-gas and its procedures of Ministry of Science and Technology, are being staged. Moreover, the book shops of the News and Periodicals Enterprise and Sarpay-beikman under the Ministry of Information and the private bookshops are being kept open.

At the exhibition, students participated in Teaching Contest with Audio Language Lab organized by Soft Guide Computer Co.Ltd and winners were awarded. Anyone may visit the exhibition and it will continue up to 11 January from 9 am to 5 pm. — MNA

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**Dinner hosted to Thai swimming team**

YANGON, 5 Jan — A dinner was hosted to Thai swimming team led by Maj-Gen Pichit Boonyatikarn at Karaweik Palace at 7 pm today, attended by Chairman of Myanmar Olympic Committee Minister for Sports Brig-Gen Thura Aye Myint.

First, the minister made a speech and Maj-Gen Pichit Boonyatikarn spoke words of thanks.

Next, the minister and President of Myanmar Swimming Federation Dr Khin Shwe presented gifts to Thai swimming team. Maj-Gen Pichit Boonyatikarn also presented souvenirs to the minister and Chairperson of Working Committee of Myanmar Women’s Sports Federation Daw Aye Aye. — NLM
Foreign Heads of State send felicitations to Senior General Than Shwe

YANGON, 6 Jan — The following are messages of felicitations from foreign Heads of State sent to Senior General Than Shwe, Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar, on the occasion of the 58th Anniversary Independence Day of the Union of Myanmar.

From His Majesty M.R. Bhunmil R., King of Thailand

On the occasion of the Independence Day of the Union of Myanmar, I wish to extend to Your Excellency sincere congratulations and best wishes for your happiness and well-being as well as for the progress and prosperity of the Union of Myanmar and your people.

From His Majesty Akihito, Emperor of Japan

On this occasion of the Independence Day of the Union of Myanmar I have great pleasure in sending Your Excellency my heartfelt congratulations and sincere good wishes for your happiness and for the prosperity of the people of your country.

From Mr Khamtay Siphandone, President of the Lao People’s Democratic Republic

Your Excellency,

On the auspicious occasion of the 58th Anniversary of the Independence Day of the Union of Myanmar, on behalf of the people of the Lao People’s Democratic Republic and on my own behalf, I have a pleasure to extend my warmest congratulations and best wishes to Your Excellency and through Your Excellency to the entire brotherly people of the Union of Myanmar.

I would like to express my sincere hope for the further growth of the traditional relations of friendship and trustworthy close cooperation between the peoples of our two countries, bringing about tangible benefit to our two peoples as well as making an important contribution to the cause of peace, stability and cooperation for development in the region and in the world.

May I take this opportunity to wish Your Excellency good health and well-being and continued progress and prosperity for the people of the Union of Myanmar.

Please accept, Your Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

From Mr SR Nathan, President of Republic of Singapore

Dear Excellency,

On behalf of the people of the Republic of Singapore, I would like to congratulate Your Excellency and the people of the Union of Myanmar on the happy occasion of the 58th Independence Day of the Union of Myanmar.

As Myanmar and Singapore have enjoyed close and warm relations over many years, I am confident that our two countries can continue to work together, not only for mutual benefit but also for the good of the region.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

From Professor Dr Iajuddin Ahmed, President of the People’s Republic of Bangladesh

Your Excellency,

It is indeed a great pleasure for me to convey to Your Excellency our heartiest felicitations and greetings on the auspicious occasion of the Independence Day of the Union of Myanmar.

I firmly believe that the existing bond of friendship and cooperation between our two neighbouring countries will be further strengthened and consolidated in the years ahead to the mutual benefit of our two peoples.

I take this opportunity to extend to Your Excellency our best wishes for your good health, happiness and long life and for the continued peace, progress and prosperity of the friendly people of the Union of Myanmar.

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From Mr Jacques Chirac, President of the French Republic

On the occasion of the National Day of the Union of Myanmar, I have the pleasure to convey my heartfelt wishes to the people of Myanmar.

May the links between our two people further intensify in the future.

From Mr Svetozar Marovic, President of Serbia and Montenegro

I extend to you my sincere congratulations on the occasion of the National Day of the Union of Myanmar, along with my best wishes for the further prosperity of Your Excellency’s country.

I take this opportunity to express, on behalf of the council of Ministers of the State Union of Serbia and Montenegro, its citizens and in my own name, the conviction that the relations and cooperation between Serbia and Montenegro and the Union of Myanmar will develop and be promoted in the period to come, to the mutual benefit and in the interest of peace and stability in the world.

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on whom the State and the USDA can rely amounts to shaping the future of the nation for human resources development.

At the course, the new generation youths have already studied Myanmar history, national policy, political, economic and social development, the seven-point Road Map, national defence and security and international affairs.

As the world events are undergoing changes and developments in all aspects, the youths are to make a thorough study on the situations of international affairs in order to fully realize the prevailing situations. The State is strictly adhering to the Five Principles of Peaceful Coexistence and practising the policy of peace, amity, mutual respects, equality and non-interference in other nations’ affairs. In dealing with nations of the world, Myanmar is practising independent and active foreign policy and is also cooperating with international organizations and social organizations including nations in the region, global nations and the United Nations. It is safe to say that the new generation youths have realized the prevailing situations of the nation and international affairs to a certain extent as they studied changes and developments of the nation and international situations at the course. They are to accept knowledge, education, technology, idea and procedures obtained from the course as work guidelines and to make a constant study to be qualified and well-versed in the developments.

He said it is a country where over 100 national races have lived in unity and amity. They live through thick and thin and possess consolidated traditions, mutual understanding and Union Spirit.

National solidarity disintegrated and political, economic and social conditions were low due to servitude and divide-and-rule policy. Taking the lessons from the past, Our Three Main National Causes non-disintegration of the Union, non-disintegration of national solidarity and perpetuation of sovereignty were laid down as national policy. The basis of Our Three Main National Causes is Union Spirit, he said.

He said the people are to safeguard Myanmar society after realizing the value of the Union, unity, peace and sovereignty. Political, economic, organizational and administrative outlooks, national characters and the Union Spirit are strengths that can build the nation, he said. He said it is very important for all the nationals to have consolidated Union Spirit. The Union spirit is a genuine patriotism to be preserved by all the national races. Efforts are to be made for keeping Union Spirit alive forever.

He said the nation is now on the right path of development owing to the efforts of the government, the people and the Tatmadaw and internal national forces in accord with the twelve objectives. There are better foundations on peace, national economic development and human resource development in the country.

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He said the government is actively taking part in the efforts for raising the living standard of rural people who constitute 70 per cent of the population, better transportation, water and power supply, development of rural economy and upgrading health standard.

The government is endeavoursing for development of agriculture as the base and all round development of other sectors of the economy. For development of agriculture measures are being undertaken for full operation of farm equipment and utilization of diesel-substitute bio-gas, he added.

He said Myanmar’s climate favours jatropha curcas and fuel can be obtained from it. The cultivation of the jatropha curcas should be extended. Jatropha curcas oil can be used as fuel and the paste can be used as fertilizer.

Prime Minister urged USDA members, as a strong national force, to serve the interests of the State and the people by making full use of development fruits; to cultivate the sense of national solidarity and equality and Union Spirit; and strive for the successful implementation of the seven-point Road Map of the State, five rural development tasks and future work programmes of the association by upholding Our Three Main National Causes and the 12 objectives.

Afterwards, U Tun Kyaw of Namhsan Township constituency in Shan State presented the proposals.

Prime Minister General Soe Win cordially greeted the trainees. The training course was attended by a total of 207 trainees from states and divisions. — MNA

Delegate groups submit suggestions on detailed basic…

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Representatives-elect presided over the Plenary Session of the National Convention together with Dr Paik Tin of National Convention Convening Work Committee, U Tun Yin Law of Delegate Group of Political Parties, U Mann Ohn Maung of Delegate Group of National Races, U Sai Tint Aung of Delegate Group of Peasants, U Kyaw Myo Win of Delegate Group of Workers, U Hla Myint of Delegate Group of Intellectuals and Intelligentia, U Hla Tin of Delegate Group of State Service Personnel and U Paw Laik Khiam of Other Invited Persons.

Director (Meeting) U Than Aung of the National Convention Convening Work Committee Office acted as Master of Ceremonies and Deputy Director U Aung Kyi as co-master of ceremonies.

The MC announced the validity of the meeting as 1,069 delegates out of 1,079 were present, accounting for 99.07 per cent. Delegates to the National Convention submitted their proposals on detailed basic principles to be laid down for legislation of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw, Pyithu Hluttaw, Amyotha Hluttaw and Region or State Hluttaw.

First, the proposals of three delegates—Representative-elect Dr Hmu Htan of Thantlang Township constituency in Chin State, Representative-elect U Aung Thein of Ywangan Township constituency in Shan State (North) and Dr Hmu Htan of Thantlang Township constituency in Shan State (South)—were presented to the plenary session in three parts. — MNA

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(The presentation will be reported.)  
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(The presentation will be reported.)  
Next, U Myint Kyaw of Mandalay Division presented the proposals.  
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The Plenary Session of the National Convention was adjourned at 3.15 pm. The Plenary Session of the National Convention continues tomorrow at 9 am.

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The first session of the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw should be held within 15 days after the beginning of the first session of the Pyithu Hluttaw

(a) Recording the address delivered by the President
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(c) Submitting and discussing and making decision on a bill
(d) Discussing and deciding the opinion and remarks of the President concerning a bill approved by the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw
(e) Discussing and deciding the matter the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw has to implement in accord with the provisions contained in the Constitution
(f) Discussing, deciding and recording the reports presented to the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw
(g) Submitting proposals, and making discussions and decisions
(h) Asking questions and replying answers
(i) Implementing the matters permitted by the Speaker of the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw
(j) Authorizing to publish the decisions and regulations
(k) Amending the Constitution
(l) Proposing laws for the whole or any part of the Union concerning the matters stated in the Union Legislative List
(m) Making a decree or order, or a consolidated decree or order
(n) Amending the regulations or bylaws
(o) Issuing any other decisions and regulations
(p) Issuing any other permission, license, certificate or document
(q) Issuing any other orders or notifications
(r) Imposing or requiring the payment of penalty or any other fine
(s) Initiating any administrative procedures
(t) Initiating any judicial procedures
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Concerning the voting and the absence of the members from the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw meetings without leave, we are in support of the laying down of the detailed basic principles “(a) Save as otherwise provided by this Constitution, a matter that should be decided through voting, shall be determined by a majority of votes of the members present and voting. (b) The Speaker of the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw or the Deputy Speaker acting as such, shall not vote in the first instance, but shall have and exercise a casting vote in the case of an equality of votes.” and “If for a period of 15 consecutive days a member of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw is without permission of the Speaker absent from all meetings of the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw, Speaker shall inform the Hluttaw concerned to take action against the member according to the prescribed rules. Provided that in computing the said period of 15 days on account shall be taken of any period during which the Chamber is prorogued, or is adjourned.” We support the Work Committee Chairman’s clarification concerning the laying down of the following detailed basic principles: “The Speaker of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw shall convene a special session or an emergency session of the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw when at least one fourth of the total number of members of the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw ask to convene the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw” (a) The first day session of the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw shall be valid if more than half the number of members, who have the right to attend the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw meeting, are present. The meeting in invalid shall be adjourned.

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After studying the Work Committee Chairman’s clarification concerning the enactment of laws by the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw, we find the following detailed basic principle suitable for the Constitution:

(a) When the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw enacts a law, it shall

(i) enthrust the right to issue rules, regulation and bylaws concerning the law to the Union level organizations formed according to the Constitution.

(ii) authorize the respective organizations or authority to issue notifications, orders, directives and procedures.

(b) The rules, regulations, notifications, orders, directives and procedures issued with the right vested by an Act shall be consonant with the stipulations contained in the Constitution and the law concerned.

(c) If both the Pyithu Hluttaw and the Amyotha Hluttaw decide to annul or amend any one the rules, regulations or bylaws, it shall be presumed that the rules, regulations or bylaws are annulled or amended by the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw.

(d) If there is any disagreement between the Pyithu Hluttaw and the Amyotha Hluttaw concerning the said rules, regulations or bylaws, it shall be decided by the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw.

(e) If a decision is made to annul or amend any of the rules, regulations or bylaws according to the para (c) or para (d), the decision shall be without prejudice, however, to the validity of any action previously taken under the rules, regulations or bylaws.

To enable the President to facilitate his work in the matters concerning the international treaties, the following basic principle should be laid down: “The Pyidaungsu Hluttaw shall — (a) give the decision on matters in connection with ratifying, cancelling and withdrawing from international agreements, regional treaties or bilateral agreements submitted by the President. (b) fix the international, regional or bilateral agreements that do not need Pyidaungsu Hluttaw’s approval and delegate the President to ratify, cancel and withdraw from them.”— MNA
The reports, papers and Hluttaw records published by the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw or under its authority shall be privileged

We are in support of the explanations made by Work Committee Chairman regarding matters that require Pyidaungsu Hluttaw’s decisions, agreement and approval

Members of the organizations representing the Union level organizations formed under the Constitution while attending the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw with the permission of the Speaker shall explain the bills and other matters in connection with their respective organizations.
The State Peace and Development Council shall call the first regular session of the Pyithu Hluttaw after the constitution has come into effect.

(a) The Pyithu Hluttaw may declare the seat of a member vacant in accord with the rules prescribed if he is absent, without asking the Pyithu Hluttaw leave, for a session for 15 days in a row, or has failed to attend a session of the Pyithu Hluttaw for 15 days in a row.

(b) The Amyotha Hluttaw may declare the seat of a member vacant in accord with the rules prescribed if he is absent, without asking the Pyithu Hluttaw leave, for a session for 15 days in a row.

The Pyithu Hluttaw shall take action against a member in accord with the rules prescribed if the Speaker of the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw informed the Pyithu Hluttaw that member, without asking permission from the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw, has failed to attend a session of the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw for 15 days in a row.

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The Pyithu Hluttaw has the power to act despite some vacancies in the membership. Furthermore, any functions in the Hluttaw shall be valid notwithstanding that it is exposed subsequently that an entitled person attended a session, voted, or took part in any function.

In connection with the legislative of the Pyithu Hluttaw and Amyotha Hluttaw, the following detailed basic principle should be laid down:

(a) Except the matters prescribed in the constitution that must be submitted to and judged only at the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw, with respect to the remaining matters prescribed in the Union Legislation List, bills shall be submitted initially to the Pyithu Hluttaw.

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In computing the absence for at least one-third of the Pyithu Hluttaw members present and voting, or a matter that should be decided through voting shall be determined by a majority of votes of the members present and voting.

(b) The activities and records of the Pyithu Hluttaw shall be released for the knowledge of the people. However, the activities and records that are restricted under an act or the order of the Pyithu Hluttaw shall not be released.

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No action shall be taken against those members
stated in sub-paras (a) and (b) in accordance with the
existing laws if they make physical assault in enjoying the
privileges.

Amyotha Hluttaw

(a) Members of the Amyotha Hluttaw shall have
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and the committee of the Amyotha Hluttaw, subject to
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(b) Members or persons representing a Union level
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CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

M.V. YANGON STAR VOY: NO (395)

Consignees of cargo carried on M.V. YANGON STAR VOY NO (395) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 6.1.06 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of M.L.T where it will lie at the consignee’s risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

Damaged cargo will be surveyed daily from 8 am to 11:20 am and 12 noon to 4 pm up to Claims Day now declared as the third day after final discharge of cargo from the Vessel.

No claims against this vessel will be admitted after the Claims Day.

Shipping Agency Department
Myanmar Port Authority
Agent for: M/S EAGLE SHIPPING CORPORATION
Phone No: 256908/378316/376797

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

M.V. WHITE TOBA VOY: NO (4)

Consignees of cargo carried on M.V. WHITE TOBA VOY NO (4) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 6.1.06 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of Myanmar Port Authority where it will lie at the consignee’s risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

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Shipping Agency Department
Myanmar Port Authority
Agent for: EASTERN CAR LINER SINGAPORE PTE LTD
Phone No: 256924/256914

Internet service on boats in Bangladesh

DHAKA, Jan—Shidhu Chakravarty, chief editor of the daily Daily Star, announced yesterday that the newspaper has signed a letter of intent with the Bangladesh Post Office to deliver the newspaper through boat service.

The arrangement will allow the newspaper to reach remote areas where the postal service is not available.

The Daily Star is one of the country’s leading newspapers and is read by millions of people across the country.

WEATHER

Thursday, 5 January, 2006

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hours MST:

- The past 24 hours, except for the isolated light rain in Tantinayu Division and weather has been generally fair in the whole country. Night temperatures were (3°C) to (4°C) below normal in Eastern Shan State, upper Sagaing and Yangon Divisions, (3°C) to (4°C) above normal in Mon State and Tantinayu Division and about normal in the remaining areas. The significant night temperatures were Haka, Mogok and Pinya (2°C) each, Namsam and Heho (3°C) each and Kengtung (5°C). The noteworthy amount of rainfall recorded was Myeik (0.20) inch.
- Maximum temperature on 4-1-2006 was 90°F. Minimum temperature on 5-1-2006 was 58°F. Relative humidity at 09:30 hrs MST on 5-1-2006 was 78%. Total sunshine hours on 4-1-2006 was (8.4) hours approx.
- Rainfalls on 5-1-2006 were nil at Mingaladon, Kaba-Aye and central Yangon. Total rainfalls since 1-1-2006 were nil at Mingaladon, Kaba-Aye and central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (4) mph from North at (11:20) hours MST on 4-1-2006.
- Bay inference: Weather is partly cloudy in the South Bay and generally fair elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.
- Forecast valid until evening of 6-1-2006: Isolated light rain are likely in Tantinayu Division, weather will be partly cloudy in Rakhine and Mon States and generally fair in the remaining areas. Degree of certainty is (60%).
- State of the sea: Seas will be slight to moderate in Myanmar waters.
- Outlook for subsequent two days: Likelihood of slight decrease of nitht temperatures in the North ern Myanmar areas.
- Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 6-1-2006: Fair weather.
- Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 6-1-2006: Fair weather.
Delegate groups submit suggestions on detailed basic principles for legislation of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw, Pyithu Hluttaw, Amyotha Hluttaw, and Region and State Hluttaws to the Plenary Session of the National Convention

Yangon, 5 Jan — The Plenary Session of the National Convention continued at Pyidaungsu Hall of Nyaunghnapin Camp in Hmawby Township, Yangon Division, at 9 am today.

It was attended by Chairman of the National Convention Convening Commission Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Thein Sein and Commission members, NCC Work Committee Chairman Chief Justice U Aung Toe and Work Committee members, NCC Management Committee Chairman Auditor-General Maj-Gen Lun Maung and Management Committee members, chairmen of sub-committees, officials, delegates of national races, delegates of workers, delegates of intellectuals and intelligentsia, delegates of State service personnel, and other invited delegates signed in the attendance books at the Pyidaungsu Hall and recreation hall for the delegates.

U San Tha Aung of Delegate Group of (See page 9)

Proposals to be published

Yangon, 5 Jan — Proposals on detailed basic principles for legislation of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw, Pyithu Hluttaw, Amyotha Hluttaw, and Region or State Hluttaws made by Representatives-elect Dr Hnin Htan of Thantlang Township constituency of Chin State, U Aung Thein of Ywangan Township constituency of Shan State (South) and U Tun Kyaw of Namhsan constituency of Shan State (North), U Shi Thi of Sagaing Division, Daw San San Htay of Ayeyawady Division, U Pyay Lay of Chin State, Daw Aye Cho of Shan State (South), Daw Khin Lay Myint of Mon State, and U Sai Thein Aung of Kachin State, U Min Lun Maung of Mon State, U Saw Lin Aung of Bago Division and U Myint Kyaw of Mandalay Division will be published in this newspaper. — MNA

The Plenary Session of the National Convention in progress at Pyidaungsu Hall of Nyaunghnapin Camp. — MNA

Members of panel of chairmen seen at the ongoing National Convention in Pyidaungsu Hall of Nyaunghnapin Camp. — MNA