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State Peace Talks Team Holds Peace Talks with Five NCA Signatories of EAOs (ALP, DKBA, KNU/KNLA-PC, LDU, PNLO)



State Peace Talks Team and five NCA signatories' representatives of EAOs (ALP, DKBA, KNU/KNLA-PC, LDU, PNLO) held a peace talk on 29 August at the National Solidarity and Peacemaking Centre in Nay Pyi Taw.

During the talks, the leader of peace talk team Lt-Gen Yar Pyae and patron of PNLO Phyar Khun Okkar, on behalf of the five EAOs, gave greetings respectively. After that, they discussed as follows:

- The National Solidarity and Peacemaking Negotiation Committee-NSPNC and Union Peace Dialogue Joint Committee-UPDJC agreed upon the working group of the Constitution (2008) to amend the

articles;

- Amendment to provisions (sections) of the Constitution (2008) which the analysis and development team considers should be amended;
- Holding a free and fair multi-party democratic general election successfully;
- The cooperation of NCA signatories EAOs in implementing the humanitarian assistance to the displaced persons and locals in the conflict-affected areas;
- The participation of EAOs in building the federal union;
- The improvement of the leading roles of the EAOs in the political arena; and

- Holding of the 8th years anniversary of NCA under pollical means.

The event was attended by State Administration Council Member Peace Talk Team Leader Union Minister Lt-Gen Yar Pyae, State Administration Council Member Lt-Gen Moe Myint Htun, NSPNC Vice-Chairman, Union Minister Lt-Gen Soe Htut,

NSPNC Secretary Lt-Gen Min Naing and its members, ALP Chairman Saw Mra Yazar Lin, KNU/KNLA Peace Council Vice-Chair Dr Naw Ka Por Htoo, LDU Vice-Chair Kyar Phoo, PNLO Chairman Khun Thurain, DKBA Operational Commander Saw Ba Nyein Aung and representatives.

Source: Myawady Television News (30-8-2023)

- **During the peace talks between the State Peace Talks Team and five NCA signatories' representatives of EAOs, discussions were made on that the NSPNC and UPDJC agreed upon the working group of the Constitution (2008) to amend the articles; amendment to provisions (sections) of the Constitution (2008) which the analysis and development team considers should be amended; holding a free and fair multi-party democratic general election successfully; and the cooperation of NCA signatories EAOs in implementing the humanitarian assistance to the displaced persons and locals in the conflict-affected areas**

SAC Member Mahn Nyein Maung Attends Kayin Traditional White Thread Tying (Wrist-tying) Ceremony

The Kayin traditional white thread tying (wrist-tying) ceremony was held in Myaungmya of Ayeyawady region on 28 August. The ceremony was opened by Mahn Nyein Maung, a member of the State Administration Council, by beating the frog drum nine times and delivering a greeting speech.

Regional Ethnic Affairs Minister explained the purpose of the ceremony. Chairman of the Kayin Ethnic Literature and Culture Association of Ayeyawady Region, gave words of thanks.

Then, young Kayin youths carried white cotton items and placed them in front of Mahn Nyein Maung and other officials. They offered the white cotton items to them.

Mahn Nyein Maung, a member of the State Administration Council, Ayeyawady region Chief Minister, the leader of the advisory group of the SAC and the commander of the South-Western Command, concerned officials and invited guests attended the ceremony, it is reported.

Source: The Global New Light of Myanmar Newspaper (29-8-2023)



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Union Ministers Meet Chief of IOM Mr. Dragan Aleksoski



Union Minister Dr. Thet Khaing Win receiving a delegation led by IOM Chief Mr. Dragan Aleksoski

Union Minister for Health Dr. Thet Khaing Win and Union Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement Dr. Soe Win received the delegation led by the

Chief of International Organization of Migration (IOM) Mr. Dragan Aleksoski at the ministries' reception hall on 29 August.

- During the meeting with Union Minis-



Union Minister Dr. Soe Win receiving a delegation led by IOM Chief Mr. Dragan Aleksoski

ter for Health, they discussed the collaborative maternal and child healthcare initiatives between the IOM and the Ministry of Health, along with activities related to nutrition development. Additionally, they explored ways to enhance cooperation in preventing and treating malaria, tuberculosis, and sexually transmitted diseases. The conversation also touched upon matters concerning the renewal of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU), as well as the potential for increased cooperation in healthcare endeavors across Mon, Rakhine, and Kayin States.

- **During the meeting with Union Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement,** they discussed migrant worker issues between Myanmar and neighboring countries and providing assistance to victims of human trafficking, reducing losses and damages by the disasters and reintegration of trafficked per-

sons in the community, participations of IOM in the humanitarian assistance programs for the cyclone victims in Rakhine State together with UN organizations, INGOs in cooperation with the government under the coordination of UNOCHA and entry visa issues of foreign employees from IOM.

The meetings were attended by the Union Ministers together with deputy ministers, Permanent Secretaries, directors-general from relevant departments and officials.

Source: The Global New Light of Myanmar Newspaper (30-8-2023)

- During the meetings between Union Ministers and the Chief of IOM Mr. Dragan Aleksoski, views were cordially exchanged on the collaborative maternal and child healthcare initiatives between the IOM and the Ministry of Health, along with activities related to nutrition development, and the enhancement of cooperation in preventing and treating malaria, tuberculosis, and sexually transmitted diseases, migrant worker issues between Myanmar and neighboring countries and providing assistance to victims of human trafficking, reducing losses and damages by the disasters and reintegration of trafficked persons in the community.

Myanmar Hosts 24th ASEAN Cultural Subcommittee Meeting



The opening ceremony of 24th ASEAN Cultural Subcommittee Meeting hosted by Myanmar organized by the Ministry of Religious Affairs and Culture was held at Novotel Yangon Max Hotel on 29 August.

At the ceremony, the Union Minister said that being a member of ASEAN, Myanmar pledges to gain the objectives of the founding of the ASEAN community including peace and prosperity together with the ASEAN member countries.

Then, the completed projects regarding cultural sector implementing in the ASEAN Region, ongoing projects and the new projects to be submitted for 2024-2025 fiscal year were discussed and approved.

It was attended by the Union Minister U Tin Oo Lwin, the Deputy Minister, the Yangon Region Government Social Affairs Minister, the Yangon Mayor, heads of missions from embassies of the ASEAN countries, representatives and invitees, it is reported.

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Union Minister Dr. Nyunt Pe Meets Secretary-General of the China-ASEAN Centre, and Attends China-ASEAN Education Cooperation Week Ceremony



Myanmar delegation led by Union Minister Dr. Nyunt Pe, currently in Guiyang City of Guizhou Province of the People's Republic of China to attend the 2023 China-ASEAN Education Cooperation Week Ceremony, met Secretary-General H.E. Mr. Shi Zhongjun of the China-ASEAN Centre and party at the parlour on the third floor of Howard Johnson Hotel on 28 August.

On 29 August, at the 2023 China-ASEAN Education Cooperation Week

which was held at the city hall in Guiyang, Guizhou Province of the People's Republic of China, the Union Minister delivered a speech as follows:

- The two countries conducted jointly by creating good opportunities for the people through education cooperation with the aims of exchange scholars between China and Myanmar, enhancing capacities and cultural exchange.
- Educational cooperation between China



and Myanmar will contribute not only to scholarship winners and Myanmar's education sector but also to Myanmar society.

- Through educational cooperation, the People's Republic of China and ASEAN will have to strengthen more friendship for Belt and Road Project and to develop human resources and to enhance progress of the whole region.

In the afternoon, the Myanmar delegation led by Union Minister attended 2023 China-ASEAN Language and Culture Fo-

rum and viewed around the booths displayed at the ceremony and the booths of Yangon University for Foreign Languages.

Source: The Global New Light of Myanmar Newspaper (30-8-2023)

- **Union Minister met Secretary-General H.E. Mr. Shi Zhongjun of the China-ASEAN Centre and party, and delivered a speech at the 2023 China-ASEAN Education Cooperation Week.**

Myanmar - China Tourism Promotion and the Implementation of Future Activities Discussed



Union Minister for Hotels and Tourism Dr. Thet Thet Khine met officials of Myanmar-China Friendship Association (Central), Myanmar-Chinese Cooperation and Communication Center, Myanmar-China Business Association, the Chamber of Commerce of Dehong Prefecture, China, Myanmar-China Tourism Promotion Working Group formed by Myanmar Tourism Federation and travel companies which are implementing Chinese tourism market at the Jade Hall of the Ministry to prepare destination managements for the smooth visit of Chinese visitors to the destinations in Myanmar on 28 August.

At the meeting, the Union Minister highlighted the following points:

- The travel companies are urged to make more efforts for arrivals of more Chinese visitors and to seek markets and the Ministry will provide necessary assistance.
- Efforts will be made more arrival of

tourists from countries which have the potentials for tourism markets such as Russia, India and China in addition to ASEAN and regional countries.

Officials reported on tourism promotion, travel expos and Myanmar-China Tourism G2G and B2B cooperation. Myanmar-China tourism promotion plans, progress of works, experiences and further cooperation.

Deputy Minister, Director General, officials and acting commander of the World Tourism Security Police attended the meeting while those in charge of the regional/state branch offices participated online, it is reported.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (29-8-2023)

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10th Meeting of High-Level Task Force on ASE-AN Community's Post-2025 Vision Held



Myanmar delegation led by Dr. Wah Wah Maung, a High-Level Representative of Myanmar and Deputy Minister for Investment and Foreign Economic Relations attended the 10th Meeting of the High-Level Task Force on ASEAN Community's Post-2025 Vision (HLTF-ACV), which was held in ASEAN Secretariat, Jakarta, Indonesia, on 26-27 August 2023.

The deputy minister highlighted the following points at the meeting;

- In the draft of ASEAN Community's post-2025 Vision, it is necessary for ASEAN to address narrowing down the development gap not only among the ASEAN Member States but also between ASEAN and the rest of the world.

- Talks between ASEAN Member States and dialogue partners should be maintained to achieve strong and mutually beneficial economic relations with external partners based on ASEAN Centrality.

The meeting was attended by Eminent Persons, High-Level Representatives and officials from ASEAN Member States and Timor-Leste as an observer, as well as Deputy Secretary-General and officials from the ASEAN Secretariat. Together with the Deputy Minister for Investment and Foreign Economic Relations, Deputy Director-General U Zaw Zaw Soe from the Department of ASEAN Affairs of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs also joined the meeting, it is reported.

- Myanmar delegation led by Deputy Minister for Investment and Foreign Economic Relations attended the 10th Meeting of the High-Level Task Force on ASE-AN Community's Post-2025 Vi-sion (HLTF-ACV), which was held in ASEAN Secretariat, Jakarta, Indonesia, on 26-27 August 2023.

UEC Demonstrates Myanmar's Electronic Voting Machine and Trial Voting at Ministries



The demonstrations of the Myanmar Electronic Voting Machine and Trial Voting were held at the following ministries from 23 to 28 August;

- The demonstration and trial voting were held at Ministry of Information and Ministry of Home Affairs on 23 August.
- The demonstration and trial voting were held at Ministry of Immigration and Population and Ministry of Hotels and Tourism on 24 August.
- The demonstration and trial voting were held at Ministry of Electrical Power and Ministry of Ethnic Affairs on 25 August.
- The demonstration and trial voting were held at Ministry of Health and Ministry

of Construction on 28 August.

- The demonstration and trial voting were held at Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation, and Ministry of Foreign Affairs on 29 August.

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The events were attended by the UEC members, officials concerned and officers and staff of relevant departments, and the trial voting were also demonstrated, it is reported.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (30-8-2023)

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Efforts made to Increase Export Volume in the Fiscal Year of 2023-2024



During the tenure of the State Administration Council Government, efforts are being made to increase export volume via border trade posts and regular trade routes. As a result:

- Over four-month period, from 1 April to 18 August in the fiscal year of 2023-2024, Myanmar earned a total of USD 27.494 million from the export of forestry products to foreign countries: USD 0.347 million via government agencies and USD 27.147 million via private sector.
- Over four-month period, from 1 April to 18 August in the fiscal year of 2023-

2024, Myanmar earned a total of USD 511.908 million from the export of 636,192.308 tonnes of varieties of pulses to foreign countries: USD 420.556 million from the export of 530,498.897 tonnes of varieties of pulses via sea routes and USD 91.352 million from the export of 105,693.411 tonnes of pulses via sea routes.

Myanmar exports agro-products, animal products, aquatic products, mineral products, CMP products and other products in addition to forestry products to foreign markets, it is reported.

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Security Force Captures PDF Terrorists' Arms/Ammunition and related Materials hidden in Rural Healthcare Centre in Zeetaw Village, Shwebo Township



Local residents who oppose acts of terrorism provided information to security personnel about terrorists' hideouts near Zeetaw village of Shwebo Township in Sagaing Region and their hidden arms/ammunition and explosive materials used for terrorist acts. According to the tip-off, security personnel searched the said-places on 29 August and seized one Super Custom car, three motorbikes, one homemade gun, one magazine, nine improvised mines, camouflage uniforms and other related materi-

als.

The seized arms and ammunition will be handed over to concerned bodies and security personnel will undertake further security tasks to crush PDF terrorists' hideouts and ensure rule of law, it is reported.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (30-8-2023)

- According to the tip-off by local residents, security personnel captured PDF terrorists' arms/ammunition and related materials hidden in rural healthcare centre in Zeetaw Village, Shwebo Township.

Actions Continue against Unscrupulous Persons who Follow and Make Incitements and Propaganda of CRPH and NUG Terrorist Groups, their Subordinates and Colluded Groups

The entire population has already been informed not to follow the incitements and propaganda made by CRPH and NUG declared as terrorist groups, their subordinates and colluded groups. In spite of that, some unscrupulous persons are making incitements and propaganda to disrupt the State peace and stability via social media. Therefore, necessary actions have been taken against them in line with law. In this regard:

- From 23 to 29 August 2023, four people from Yangon region, five people from

Mandalay region and one from Magway region, totaling 10 people were arrested.

- From 27 January 2022 to 29 August 2023, legal actions were taken against a total of 1,684 people under the law.

It is reported that necessary actions will be continued against such instigators and unscrupulous persons making propaganda and instigations.

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