

## MORE RALLIES TO HAIL FORMATION OF NFF

**PROVINCES, June 29 (Bakhtar)**— The formation of the Vast National Fatherland Front has been welcomed as a great event in the history of Afghanistan by the people in yet more rallies.

Workers and employees of the Government Information Services Department in a rally, voiced support for the front.

Dr Najeb, member of the PDPA CC and the RC and President of the department, spoke on the need for the front for the defence of the gains of the Saur Revolution under the guidance of the PDPA.

Dr Farouq, member of the party CC the RC, on behalf of the CC, invited questions from the participants on the NFF.

Workers and employees of the State Planning Committee, in a rally, also welcomed the formation of the NFF yesterday.

Abdur Rashid Aryan, member of the PDPA CC and Vice President of the RC, explained the role of the NFF and said: "The front, formed at the initiative of the PDPA and with the participation of the national and patriotic forces, is in fact the reflector of the aspirations of the toiling people".

The function was also addressed by the secretary of the party primary organisation of the State Planning Committee and

### Keshtmand

thanks

### Fidel Castro

**KABUL, June 29 (Bakhtar)**— A telegram of thanks has been communicated to Havana by Sultan Ali Keshtmand, Chairman of the Council of Ministers of the DRA, to Fidel Castro, Chairman of the State Council and Government of Cuba, in reply to the telegram on Keshtmand's appointment as Chairman of the Council of Ministers.

The telegram expresses confidence in the fraternal relations and internationalist cooperation existing between the DRA and the Republic of Cuba.

Similarly, hope is expressed for the further development of mutual relations between the peoples of both the countries in the interest of ensuring peace and security in the world and the consolidation of the positions of the progressive forces.

### SARBILAND

### FOR SOFIA

**KABUL, June 29 (Bakhtar)**— Abdul Majid Sarbiland, Deputy Chairman of the DRA Council of Ministers and Minister of Information and Culture, at the head of a delegation, left for Bulgaria yesterday.

The delegation will attend as an observer the 35th session of the Council of Mutual Economic Cooperation to be held in Sofia.

He was seen off at the airport by some members of the Council of Ministers, some high-ranking officials of the Information and Culture Ministry and representatives of the Foreign Affairs Ministry.

Momana, one of the workers of the committee, Workers, employees of the Water and Power and Public Works Ministries and the Rural Development Department also held a function in this occasion yesterday at the hall of Kabul Nendary.

Dr Raz Mohammad Pakteen, Minister of Water and Power, said, "By forming the NFF, each patriot can struggle for the benefit of the toiling masses of the country. I believe that the people of Afghanistan will strive for a prosperous society".

The function was also addressed by Rahmatullah, a worker of the rural development workshop, and Akram, secretary of the party primary organisation of the Public Works Ministry, and Dastager, in charge of the publicity, extension and education department of party precinct 9 and 10.

### NEED FOR FRONT

Workers and employees of the Ministry of Information and Culture welcomed the formation of the NFF in a rally yesterday.

Sarwar Yourish, member of the RC and President of the Publications Department of the Ministry, explained the need for the front and the gains it promised.

Miraga, one of the employees of the ministry and Azim Lemar, secretary of the party primary organisation of the ministry, also spoke.

Workers and employees of the Food Procurement Department of the Central Silo and trolley bus transport held a function on the same occasion and pledged their sincere cooperation with the NFF.

The function was attended by Tahershah Paykargar, alternate member of the party CC, who spoke on the need for the front.

Residents of the Charasiab district of the Kabul province voiced support for the formation of the NFF to mobilize all national and patriotic forces of the country.

The gathering was attended by clergymen, youth, heads of the Government Departments, members of the local jirgahs. And agricultural cooperatives, students and teachers of the Charasiab and Malal Shayeed schools, members of social organisations, employees of the district, the secretary and some members of the provincial committee, the commander of the educational command and some soldiers and army officers.

### Bulgarian

### Front chief

### greet Dr Zeary

**KABUL, June 29 (Bakhtar)**— A congratulatory telegram sent by Kobidinski, Chairman of the National Council of the National Fatherland Front of the Republic of Bulgaria, addressed to Dr Saleh Mohammad Zeary on his election as the Chairman of the National Committee of the DRA National Fatherland Front was received here.

Extending his sincere congratulations, Kobidinski expresses confidence that the DRA's NFF will certainly play a significant role to consolidate ever further the unity and integrity of all progressive, democratic and patriotic forces and also will accelerate the construction of a new world and economic society in Afghanistan.

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After the recitation of some verses from the holy Koran, Mirsaheb Karwal, member of the PDPA CC and the RC and secretary of the Kabul provincial committee, conveyed the warm greetings of Babrak Karmal, General Secretary of the PDPA CC and President of the RC, to the residents.

He recalled the bravery of the people of Afghanistan against the British colonialism and said: "The aim of the NFF is to unite all the nationalities, tribes and classes of the country in making the country blossom".

The gathering was addressed by Noor Mohammad, president of the local Jirgah of Chel Dokhtaran, Banaras, a soldier of the military educational centre of Charasiab, and the woleswal of the district.

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## Plot for pro-Peking state behind B'desh tragedy

**NEW DELHI, June 29 (Tass)**— Indian agency Press Asia International (PAI) reports that well-informed circles of the Bangladesh emigrants in London make no secret of the fact that the recent abortive coup of Maj Gen M.A. Manzur was a carefully planned attempt at a state coup.

### Hossein Mousavi made Iran's Foreign Minister

**TEHERAN, June 29 (Tass)**— By a decision of the provisional Presidential Council, Mir Hossein Mousavi-Hamenei has been appointed Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

He is a member of the Central Council of the ruling Islamic Republican Party and the editor-in-chief of the newspaper Jomhuriye Eslami, organ of the party.

The Foreign Minister's post has remained vacant since September last, owing to differences in the Iranian leadership over a suitable candidate for the position.

Meanwhile, according to a radio report, there was a strong bomb explosion yesterday in the park of the city of Qom. One person was wounded.

Earlier the police in Qom defused two explosive devices.

The Iranian authorities warned the population many times that the pro-Shah elements have intensified their activity which, as is known, is masterminded and financed by the Central Intelligence Agency of the US.

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A function held in Char Asiyab woleswali in support of the National Fatherland Front. (Photo: Bakhtar)



A function held by the Government Planning Committee in support of the National Fatherland Front. (Photo: Bakhtar)

## Religious scholars laud DRA Govt's service to Islam

**KABUL, June 29 (Bakhtar)**— Resolution of the conference of the best Qaris and Hafez (who recite and memorise the Holy Koran,) on the occasion of the first year of the 15th century Hejra:

In the name of God Almighty, the merciful and compassionate,

On the eve of the holy month of Ramadan, the month of the revelation of the holy Koran, we recite the holy Koran, members of the Scholars' Council of the DRA, who on behalf of the Qaris, scholars and clergymen from all over the country held a gathering in Kabul to commemorate the first year of the 15th century Hejra from June 24 and 25 1981,

Sincerely congratulating and greeting all of our noble, industrious Moslem compatriots and all Moslems of the world on the auspicious anniversary, wishing this year to be a year of abundance, blessing and success for our hard-working compatriots,

We participants of the conference approve and declare the following—

1—The conference of the best reciters of the Holy Koran was held in the reverend Majnoon Shah mosque at the vicinity of the Prime Ministry's palace with the participation of the excellent holy Koran reciters from the capital and provinces.

### UN PRECEDENTED

The reciters of the holy Koran, scholars and clergymen of the DRA bear witness to the convening of a grand conference for the best reciters of the holy Koran which is unprecedented in our beloved homeland and such a conference has not been held in the past. We explicitly declare that holding of such a conference bears witness to the honesty of the DRA Government in defence of the holy religion of Islam. We express gratitude towards the DRA Government and esteemed Babrak Karmal, for providing the opportunity and preparations for convening such a grand conference.

### Abdul Wakil for Prague

**KABUL, June 29 (Bakhtar)**— A DRA delegation headed by Abdul Wakil Minister of Finance, left for Prague yesterday for an official and friendly visit on the invitation of the Finance Minister of the Socialist Republic of Czechoslovakia.

The Finance Minister was seen off at the airport by some members of the Council of Ministers, Deputy Ministers and some departmental heads of the Finance Ministry.

2—Our beloved homeland Afghanistan and the working, freedom-loving and valorous Moslem people witnessed a great unforgettable historical event on June 15 of this year. On this date, for the first time in our history, with the convening of the First Congress of the Vast National Fatherland Front, the foundation stone of the unity of all national and patriotic forces for flourishing of the revolutionary and free Afghanistan was laid. We participants of the conference resolutely support all the decisions of the First Congress of the Vast National Fatherland Front and will not refrain from any cooperation and effort in implementation of all decisions of the Congress.

### DECREE

3—Recently the Revolutionary Council of the DRA, in issuing a decree, declared general amnesty in the country for all those who voluntarily lay down their arms and would cooperate with the Government authorities.

We participants of the grand Islamic conference invite all those who knowingly or unknowingly have taken arms against the well-being of their people to avail themselves of the opportunity, lay down their arms, surrender themselves to the authorities concerned and by voluntary cooperation with the concerned authorities fulfill their patriotic part for the homeland, revolution and the people.

4—All of our compatriots are well aware of the crimes and subversive acts of the enemies of the Saur Revolution. The enemies of our religion and our world who with the backing of

### Purdeli for WFTU meet

**KABUL, June 29 (Bakhtar)**— Abdul Satar Purdeli, alternate member of the PDPA CC and President of the Central Council of the DRA Trade Unions, at the head of a delegation, left for Hungary on June 27 to participate in the 32nd conference of the General Council of the World Federation of Trade Unions to be held on July 1-3 in Budapest.

### Rahimi for ESCAP conference

**KABUL, June 29 (Bakhtar)**— Dipl Eng Mohammad Ghulam Rahimi, Deputy Minister of Industry, left for Bangkok to participate in the Conference of the Industry Ministers of the ESCAP region.

The conference will discuss the development of industries in the region.

US imperialism, Chinese hegemonists and the regional reaction resort to any crime and treacherous act, set schools on fire, block roads, destroy bridges, kill or innocent compatriots, set fire to mosques and burn the holy Koran, and brutally and cowardly kill famous scholars of the holy religion of Islam such as Maulawi Nasrullah Gardezi, Sayed Kamal Abasi, Sayed Mohammad Amin Sadr and Assadullah Nasrat.

May God Almighty bless the martyrs in the path of religion, revolution, people and the homeland.

We participants of the grand conference express our hatred and indignation against the enemies of the glorious Saur Revolution and pray to God Almighty of the revolution and the to annihilate the enemies homeland.

### GOAL

5—We participants of the conference are well aware that the PDPA and the DRA Government under the leadership of Babrak Karmal, has no other goal but the flourishing of Afghanistan—the land that fosters heroes—and for the well-being of its freedom-loving people, and so far all their performances and measures bear witness to this assertion. We resolutely support the progressive humanitarian policy of the PDPA and the DRA Government.

Long live and proud be the working Moslem people of Afghanistan.

Hoisted be the banner of the Vast National Fatherland Front.

Our people will succeed and the enemies disgraced.

### Gromyko to visit Poland

**MOSCOW, June 29 (Tass)**— Member of the Political Bureau of the CPSU Central Committee, Foreign Minister of the USSR Andrei Gromyko will pay a brief friendly visit to the Polish People's Republic early in July at the invitation of the Central Committee of the Polish United Workers' Party and the Council of Ministers of the Polish People's Republic.

### Rural project staff for Thailand

**KABUL, June 29 (Bakhtar)**— Fourteen employees of the administrative and technical department of the rural development project left for Thailand on June 27 under the UN Development Programme to visit the rural development projects of the country over two weeks.



## KABUL NEW TIMES

## Boosting up social, economic progress

The Saur Revolution which has triumphed to meet the internal need of the Afghan society is successfully forging ahead to achieve the goals and objectives set by the People's Democratic Party of Afghanistan.

Since the victory of Saur Revolution and especially its new evolutionary phase great achievements have been made in various aspects of the life of the heroic and noble people of Afghanistan. The Saur Revolution which has accomplished by the will of the majority of toilers of Afghanistan including workers, peasants and intellectuals enjoys the full support of not only the people of Afghanistan but also the entire working peoples of the world in general and the socialist and progressive countries in particular traversing the path of no-capitalist development.

With this revolution the industrious people of Afghanistan have resolved to introduce radical and profound changes in their life and do away with the vestiges of the backwardness inherited by us from the past feudal and prefeudal orders.

All the democratic and national forces, and the tribes and nationalities living in Afghanistan, are now fortunately united under the banner of the vast National Fatherland Front.

In the past the reactionary elements connected with the colonial and imperialist power tried their best to sow the seed of discord among different tribes and nationalities of Afghanistan so that they could rule the country in their own interests and against the interest of the working class and downtrodden.

The establishment of the fatherland front which is accomplished with the continuous efforts of the People's Democratic Party of Afghanistan and the DRA Government has led to strong unity of the people. It is indicative of the fact that the people of Afghanistan are standing firm to help in realising the objects of Saur Revolution. It further shows that the people are united under the banner of broad Fatherland Front to follow up the path leading to building the new society. This is indeed the path of the vital interest

of the people of Afghanistan and the unity of people with the progressive party of Afghanistan. Now the people are rallying behind the People's Democratic Party of Afghanistan to fight the forces of imperialism, reaction and hegemonism which are making their hard efforts to bring our revolution to failure and thus meet their own interests.

The achievements made so far under the leadership of the People's Democratic Party of Afghanistan are like a thorn in the eyes of imperialists headed by the US and its allies. The enemies of Saur Revolution continue with their undeclared war against the peoples, revolution and government of Afghanistan.

The people of Afghanistan however have staunchly stood firm against the forces of imperialism and reaction and gallantly fought the counterrevolutionaries sent into our soil under the ominous terroristic and subversive plans of the enemies of Saur Revolution. They have displayed all heroism in rebuffing the aggression of imperialist forces and defending the national independence, national sovereignty and territorial integrity of Revolutionary Afghanistan.

The Government of the Democratic Republic of Afghanistan has repeatedly voiced its willingness to get the question created around Afghanistan solved with the neighbouring countries through peaceful negotiation because it believes that controversial issues and disputes can be solved with good will, intention and sincerity by sitting on the negotiation table.

The party and government of Afghanistan are fully convinced that there is no other way to iron out difference except by peaceful means. Our government believes that resorting to force serves no constructive purpose.

We would have scored more gains had the counterrevolutionaries stopped their subversive activities inside Afghanistan. Thus it is in the light of peace and security and good understanding that our development efforts would lead to progress and social justice and construction of a progressive society void of exploitation of man by man.

## HOME PRESS

"Defence of the homeland and the revolution", is the title of an editorial in the daily Anis.

The paper writes, "Defence of the homeland and the revolution is the real obligation of every patriot and progressive, particularly the great mission of the young generation".

"The Saur Revolution and its new evolutionary phase which has triumphed, for flourishing of the homeland and determining the destiny of the people, paved the way for construction of a new Afghan Society, it is the fruit of the indefatigable struggles of the people of Afghanistan and forges ahead with the strength of the toiling moslems of this land towards progress and evolution".

The paper says, "The profound changes in the country after the victory of the revolution has played a constructive role in the life of the Afghan society. By toppling the old reactionary and despotic regime, the revolution entrusted the destiny of the moslem toiling people of this country to themselves. To improve the living conditions of the working people, the party and revolutionary Government took important revolutionary steps in accordance with the requirements of the national democratic revolutions which has a constructive role in the life of our people. However the working moslem people of Afghanistan, forging ahead towards their revolutionary victories are confronted with an undeclared war by imperialism".



(From Granma)

## Glimpses of other lands

A sociological poll by the Sociology Institute, Morphology, Economy, Ethnography and Geography Institutes of the Bulgarian Academy has revealed much about the Bulgarian reading habits.

The results of the poll come to show that the best age for reading of the Bulgarians is from 20 to 29 years. About 90 per cent. Social and Science in this age bracket are avid readers.

They prefer newspapers and other periodicals (29.6 per cent of these questioned), fiction (22.4 per cent). Social and scientific literature (21.1 per cent). The remaining 18 per cent are lovers of technical literature.

The interest in fiction begins to slow down with age, and socio-political and technical readings are getting more preferable. A 28.9 per cent of the readers in the 30-39 age bracket prefer specialized literature, and 20.5 per cent fiction.

The youngest readers (16 to 19 years of age) are less interested in literature. A 20.1 per cent of these questioned at that age do not read at all, and only 14.9 per cent have strong interest in literature.

The reply to the question of the poll is optimistic: over 84 per cent of those questioned are

avid readers.

L'vov (West Ukraine) is hundreds of kilometers away from the famous amber beaches of the Baltic Sea. Nevertheless, in this city you can see some amber found locally.

Of special interest is a "stone" weighing 100 gr and 20 cm long, discovered near the Vysoky Castle. It is kept in the Natural Science Museum of the Ukrainian SSR Academy of Sciences.

The Ivov find differs from classical samples in colour. It is not yellow but dark-red. At first specialists thought that it may be another mineral. But analyses eventually confirmed the initial hypotheses. The question of the origin of the Ivov amber has yet to be answered.

After a century and a half of neglect the ancient Byelorussian musical instrument—the Surma or the Aurochs pipe—was sounded again by the musical master V. Puzynya who made a similar instrument by himself.

He had been thinking about restoring the Surma for a long time. He travelled to many villages in Poland, to Moldavia, Uzbekistan and Armenia where he studied national instruments which resemble the Surma in shape and sound.

## WORLD PRESS

The majority of Czechoslovak dailies carried yesterday commentaries on the visit of the Afghan party and Government delegation led by Babrak Karmal.

"The visit of the Afghan delegation to Czechoslovakia confirmed that despite the considerable geographical distance between Czechoslovakia and Afghanistan, the peoples of the two countries are linked by firm friendship", daily Lidova Demokracie said.

"The revolutionary process in Afghanistan stands at present on strong internal foundations, but needs peaceful conditions and firm international solidarity, which was unambiguously demonstrated by the visit of the highest Afghan representatives to Czechoslovakia", daily Zemedelske Noviny pointed out in its editorial "Revolutionary solidarity".

Daily Prace stressed that it is "important that at the time when imperialism and hegemonism have increased their attempts to break the unity of the international Communist and workers' movement, the highest representatives of Czechoslovakia and Afghanistan again confirmed the will of the two countries to strengthen the fraternal alliance with the Soviet Communist Party and the Soviet Union, and to work in favour of peace and progress".

Slovak daily Pravda pointed to the international political aspects of mutual cooperation. "In accordance with the aims of the peace foreign policy of Czechoslovakia and Afghanistan, the two

sides expressed their willingness to participate actively in the preparation of a special UN General Assembly session on disarmament, and supported the proposal on convening a world wide conference on disarmament", the daily said.

Within the framework of the utmost building up of the Nato's nuclear arsenal the Pentagon is drawing up sinister plans of extensively deploying neutron weapons in the European continent.

As reported by the Armed Forces Journal of the US Department of Defence, it is intended for this purpose to substantially modernise American nuclear-missile weapons stationed in Western Europe. Thus, W-70 Mod-4 warheads capable of carrying neutron charges will be mounted on all Lance missiles before the end of the 1980s.

The eight-inch M-110-A howitzers will also be provided with modernised shells of a new system which also can be easily adjusted to carry neutron charges, the magazine writes. It follows from the report in the Armed Forces Journal that the Pentagon intends to supply this barbarous weapons also to the Nato air units.

In an interview to the Los Angeles Times, US Secretary of State Alexander Haig has called for the manufacture of neutron weapons and their deployment in Western Europe. At the same time, he could not help admitting that these dangerous plans of Washington are giving rise to sharp protests in the European continent.

## For Indian Ocean as a zone of peace

Mirza Aslam Khan

There is no denying the fact that peace is perhaps the most essential of all the conditions necessary for the existence and prosperity of human being and humanity as a whole. However, it is really paradoxical that nothing but the struggle for the restoration of peace has now become a topical issue in world politics, leaving perhaps, not a single geographical spot in our planet out of its influence.

If about 60 or 70 years ago, the problem of war and peace mainly pivoted around the European continent, now, towards the end of 20th century, with the tremendous development of science and technology, it has turned out to be a global problem, a problem of the very existence of human race. With the passing of time, to many people it is becoming apparent that at the world imperialism under the leadership of the ruling circles of the US, aiming at exploiting the underdeveloped countries and defending the capitalist system from its inevitable decay under the powerful struggle of the working class, is responsible for lighting the fire of war in the past and at present.

In fact, these were the main causes behind the First World War (1914-18), the intervention against Soviet Russia by 14 imperialist states, the Second World War, the most devastating war, known in world history.

The present international situation is fast deteriorating. Local war or political tension in different regions are threatening world peace. The whole of Asian continent is of no exclusion to it. It is really very difficult to see why the US, a few thousand miles away from the Indian Ocean states, finds it necessary to set up a Chain of mighty military bases in this region.

Besides, the increase in US arms supplies to conservative regimes in this area is also aggravating

the situation ever more. It is known that almost half the weapons sold by the US abroad are supplied to the Persian Gulf states, the bulk of which went to pre-revolutionary Iran and Saudi Arabia.

This is actually nothing but a component part of the giant strategic arc of US strongholds stretching from Japan to Australia and then across the Indian Ocean to South Africa and the Persian Gulf.

Washington, however, leaves no stone unturned to convince the international public opinion that at the construction of airforce and naval base on Diego Garcia, part of the Chagos archipelago in the middle of the Indian Ocean, which can be used for landing giant B-52 with atomic warheads, the airforce base on Masivah Island near the coast of Oman, and Mogadisha in Somalia, are firstly, due to a "Soviet threat" in the region and secondly, the area is of key importance for US national security.

## THE MYTH

The myth about a "Soviet threat" is in fact, not a new inclusion in the imperialist propaganda arsenal. However, the very essence of this myth has become crystal clear with the coming to power of Reagan, who has staged a campaign accusing the Soviet Union of international terrorism, thus replacing Carter's "human right" campaign, which, however, had a similar "glorious" ending as its initiator in American politics.

In fact, the so-called "Soviet threat" is used by world imperialism to destroy the national liberation struggle, which is bringing fundamental radical changes in the socio-economic structure of the Third World countries, against the progressive regimes of Asia, Africa and Latin America. As regard the geopolitical ambition of US declaring this region as essential for her nation-

al security, it is nothing but a theory, aimed at exploiting the countries neighbouring the Indian Ocean, rich in natural resources.

What is most dangerous—the number of US bases is fast increasing. A recent addition to it is the base on the small island, St Martin in the bay of Bengal, which Washington plans to build in the near future.

It is quite obvious that, if there is no halt to the American escalation of war machine in the Indian Ocean, peace in this region including world peace will be certainly at stake under the maddest arms race. It is natural in this light that many Indian Ocean states, concerned over the expansion in this area of the system of US military bases and the permanent presence in the Indian Ocean of US warships, are persistently demanding that the ocean be turned into a zone of peace.

Perhaps this is the reason why President Brezhnev's proposal on peace in the Persian Gulf region announced during his recent visit to India, has so enthusiastically been met in different Government circles of Asian states. The positive stand on the idea of turning the Indian Ocean into a zone of peace fully accords with the Soviet foreign policy line directed at detente, ending the arms race and strengthening the security of peoples, which finds an overwhelming support amongst the Soviet people and all peace-loving Peoples of the world.

It is high time to unite all the peace-loving forces in this region and the world as a whole to launch struggle for making the Indian Ocean a zone of peace, to shout with a thunderous voice "No" to the escalation of the arms race and to demand the dissolution of all foreign bases in this region.

It can be concluded without any doubt that the struggle for peace shall be victorious.

## Peking policies belie promise of paradise for Chinese

The rate of growth of industrial production in China declined by almost six per cent as compared with 1977, allocations for capital construction were cut by over 20,000 million yuan, the construction of over 500 large and medium-sized industrial enterprises and 5,000 other projects were suspended, and over 23 per cent of all factories and mills operated at a loss in 1980.

The production of coal, oil and electricity sharply declined. Last year, the plan for the manufacture of power equipment was underfulfilled by 32.5 per cent, tractors by 22.2 per cent, railways carriages by 34 per cent. As a result of the acute fuel and energy shortage, one-third of the enterprises in the country have had to adopt a four-day working week.

These figures are cited by Boris Barakhta in Pravda.

Throughout last year, according to official data, prices of 230 consumer goods were increased. Most pronounced was the rise in prices of foodstuffs—13.9 per cent.

## MILITARISATION

Many observers point out that the present-day serious situation in the economy of the People's Republic of China is a direct result of the great-power nationalistic policy of the

Chinese leadership, above all, the campaign for strengthening militarisation of the country conducted over many years, the commentator says.

The Peking leaders see a way out of the obtaining situation not in a reduction of the excessive military expenditures but in the so-called "regulation of the economy".

Peking's economic austerity regime in practice has meant another tightening of belts of the people.

Three years ago Deng Xiaoping promised that every family in China would have a bicycle, a sewing-machine, and a TV set, in the near future. Today, the Press prefers to keep silent over these promises and Mao Zedong's slogan "Don't be afraid of privation, don't be afraid of death" is being propagated ever more loudly.

Energy shortages, unemployment, inflation—such are the features of present-day China, writes magazine Der Spiegel.

Because of the closure of enterprises that show losses, unemployment has reached the unprecedented scale. Workers go on strikes, gangs of young criminals operate on the black market.

Confidence in China as a commercial partner has been jeopardised, the mag-

azine writes. Many economists suspected at the time when Peking started concluding large deals with the west what has become clear now: China has no funds to pay for projects.

Der Spiegel writes that many specialists express the concern that this might lead to the worsening of the situation. In Changsha, workers rioted against price increases. A strike in protest against the insufficient labour safety measures and unhygienic conditions was held at a metallurgical complex in Anshan.

There was strong rioting in Aksu, Xinjiang. Nearly 70,000 students who had been driven from Shanghai into rural areas demanded that they should be enabled to return home. According to existing information, the army took part in suppressing student riots.

Since the army of the unemployed continues growing, millions of young people will, possibly, be sent again from cities into rural areas, the article says.

"Many people in China begin realising that the course of the Peking leaders aimed at preparation of war and strengthening the military-political alliance with imperialism, is seriously retarding China's genuine progress."

(Tass)



Excerpts from speeches

# Founders voice faith in Front for Afghanistan's future

"Today we are witnessing a great historical event in the life of our people and as representatives of different strata and groups of the society we have gathered here in this glorious session of the founding congress of the National Fatherland Front", said Nafisa Mobarez on behalf of the DOAW.

"With a feeling of pride and satisfaction of mind we can say that the People's Democratic Party of Afghanistan has fulfilled a great and fruitful task in maintaining revolutionary security and tranquility in the country, in the consolidation and growth of the national economy and in creating peaceful conditions for our people. At the same time we condemn the conspiracies, efforts and subversive actions of the enemies of revolution."

"The US imperialists, in collusion with the Chinese hegemonists and world reaction have waged a shameful undeclared war against our people by arming professional murderers and saboteurs. But the valourous and free-born people of Afghanistan bravely and firmly resist these enemy plots and by keeping and strengthening their unity give a jaw-breaking answer to those who have waged this undeclared war against our country."



Representative Nafisa Mobarez.

"The women in our country know that the realisation of their aims and aspirations has an organic link with the fulfillment of the aims of the national and democratic revolution, strengthening and growth of the national economy, realisation of transformations in the agrarian system, blossoming of culture, democratisation of social and political life, removal of poverty, ignorance and illiteracy."

"Our women can play a valuable role in the accomplishment of these tasks."

## ISLAMIC TENET

Mawlawi Mohammad Saleh Elmi, another participant at the front Congress said, "God said, 'O



Representative Mawlawi Mohammad Saleh Elmi.

Moslems, whenever you make an assembly and discuss things, be careful that the aim of the gathering, consultations and discussion is not to commit sins, cruelty, aggression and violation or to disobey the Prophet of God. Make your assemblies, consultations and discussions only for the general welfare of the people and the society."

"Thus the religious teachings have shed enough light in this regard and have seriously drawn the attention of Moslems to the fact that it is their religious work and duty to take the advantage of national unity, national front and national accord fully for the welfare, progress and development of the society."



Representative Jelani Aroz.

Pohand Jelani Aroz, a speaker at the Congress added "We all have full hope that the glowing light of the Vast National Fatherland Front will open bright horizons of hope and fruitfulness for the suffering people of our beloved country, a future in which welfare, tranquility and full equality can be provided for every individual patriot of this land in an atmosphere of cordiality and safety, and the supreme national interests and the international status of Afghanistan in its best form is maintained."

## SACRED LAW

Today, as our noble compatriots have gathered under this ceiling with the view of unity and solidarity, as the Fundamental Principles of the Democratic Republic of Afghanistan guarantees equal rights of all nationalities and as great respect is rendered to the sacred fate of Islam, it is all indicative of the fact that all individuals of our country enjoy equal rights as moral brothers and it is our duty to solemnly defend every inch of our soil in the face of the counter-revolutionary elements and conspiracy and interventions of the imperialist and reactionary countries."

Hazrat Ibrahim on behalf of the people of Herat said, "Today we present a document of our unity and solidarity to peoples of Afghanistan, the region and the world. We have the faith that we will successfully pass this test with honour and high head, which



Representative Ghulam Hazrat Ibrahim.

from the historical, national and social point of view is not unfamiliar to us but, without doubt, from the view point of its formation we find it a new social and national phenomenon in the history of the region and the world."

"This gathering is in fact a shining manifestation of the exchange of views and a forum for the national solidarity. A nation at this epic making stage of the history has risen which is facing the most horrible situation created by imperialism. The vile imperialism and the enemies of our people, like a horrible dragon, have a greedy eye on our soil and have opened their mouths. But this nation in the length of the history and in the process of its development has never forgotten its duty and today too is ready for any sacrifice to defend its valuable moral and material values."

"With the formation of this greatest national and historical gathering, we are opening our way toward unity, struggle and still further victories. The general implication and content of this front is as the guarantor of the political, social and national formation of all progressive, national and toiling forces of our country. The interests of workers, peasants and other toilers of our beloved country Afghanistan, guarantees the firmness and durability of this front in the first step, and draws our attention to the important point that the reconstruction or the building of the new society can be maintained through national solidarity."

"With the success of the Vast National Fatherland Front, first of all national solidarity will be realised, a fact which in itself is a happy errand of the provision of possibilities and grounds for the achievement of other revolutionary plans and projects toward the reconstruction of the society."

"Esteemed audience, we see it happily that the way to this objectives is paved clear, and the rising nation of Afghanistan are valourously fighting against the ominous plans and designs of imperialism. This work and struggle of our people is a sign of national solidarity in the sense of the formation of the Vast National Fatherland Front."



Representative Ghulam Mohammad Muhsinzada.

Ghulam Mohammad Muhsinzada, who also participated in the Founding Congress of the front, said: "All the real democratic and progressive forces of our society, all patriots of our country with special interest and ardour accept today's congress concern-

ing the creation and establishment of the National Fatherland Front of the Democratic Republic of Afghanistan as the highest form of unity and formation of the vast masses of the people and social organisations on the basis of a common platform to fulfill the national and democratic duties for the national and social progress and blossoming of our pridetful country, the revolutionary Afghanistan and express their support for it."

"The creation of the National Fatherland Front has full accord with the interests and benefits of all our progressive and democratic peoples, tribes, classes, strata and groups of our society and of all social and state organisations of our country."

"The principles and aims of the National Fatherland is a reflector of the aims and duties of the Council of peace, solidarity and friendship of the Democratic Republic of Afghanistan with the peoples of different countries of the world and has full accord with the great aspirations of our people regarding the consolidation of friendship and mutual co-operation among the noble toiling peoples of Afghanistan and the peoples of the world."

Abdul Karim Karimi, representative of the National traders, speaking at the front, "On behalf of all national traders and patriotic businessmen of the Kabul city, I listened carefully to the contentful and valuable speech of esteemed Babrak Karmal. On behalf of all national traders and patriotic businessmen and on my own behalf I reiterate and support it."

## DESIGNED

"The creation of the front was designed since tens of years by the revolutionary and patriotic forces, but it was only the victory of the new evolutionary phase of the April Revolution and the creation of unions and social organisations that provided the adequate conditions for the realisation of this great aspiration of our people."

"With the creation and formation of the National Fatherland Front the social and political bulwark of our revolutionary government is further consolidated and expanded."

"It is noteworthy that we national traders and capitalists in the new stage of the April Revolution realised the correctness and principledness of the leadership of the party and the state and then without the slightest worry are continuing with our economic activities."



Representative Karim Karimi.

# Front a blow to enemies of Saur Revolution: Dr Babek

A Staff Reporter

lution and leading their country on the path of progress and development."

In response to a question, Dr Babek added: "It is the responsibility and sacred mission of the intelligentsia of the country to actively propagate the lofty aims of the revolution and the revolutionary Government as well as the lofty aims of the National Fatherland Front to the great toiling masses of the country and perform their mission as the sincere defenders of the national interest of the country. Certainly, this would prove very beneficial and would lead to the further mobilisation of the masses in the Front."

## FOR UNITY

"In the prevailing conditions of our country, when the international imperialism, the US at the head, the reaction of the region and the hegemonism and other reactionary circles resort to all means for the disunity of our people and have launched an undeclared war on the people of Afghanistan, the establishment of the front is not only important for the further consolidation of the rank and file in the country but it is a good blow against the enemies of the revolution and its gains."

"At a time when the enemies of the revolution, the people and the independence of our country, have launched an undeclared war against our revolution and our people and resort to any means at their disposal to obstruct the revolutionary movement of our people, the establishment of the Vast National Fatherland Front, with the participation of the great masses of the country, is a necessity and a good blow to the ugly designs of the enemies of the revolution and the people of Afghanistan."

Stating this in an interview with the Kabul New Times, Dr Wali Babek, vice-president of the central polyclinic said: "The industrious people of our country, know well that, in the building of the revolutionary and strong Afghanistan society, joint and all-out cooperation of all the nationalities and masses and stratas of the nation play a vital role. For the construction and blossoming of this society, the services of all stratas of the society consisting of workers, peasants, clergy, intellectuals, craftsmen, intelligentsia and other national and democratic forces play an important part. They should firmly stand in a single line and jointly take an active part in the defence of the Saur Revolution and its gains."

"The establishment of the front under the leadership of the People's Democratic Party of Afghanistan will not only play a vital role in further consolidation of the ranks of the great masses of the people of the country, but will foil the conspiracies of the enemies of our revolution and people hatched to harm the unity of our people."

"The Great Saur Revolution, especially its new, evolutionary phase, takes into account the difficulties of the people of this country, and from its inception sought all ways and means to remove the obstacles in the way of smooth development of the people of this society. The revolutionary Government has taken practical steps to rescue the masses from the clutches of exploitation and feudalism and eliminate the remnants of exploitation and feudalism from our country."

"The revolutionary state after the sixth of Jaddi, in addition to many other improvements it has brought in the life of the people of the country, and removed certain obstacles from the way of development of the people, has also taken practical steps to establish the front with the joint participation of the great toiling masses of the country."

And, fortunately, the toilers of our country, with deep understanding of the prevailing conditions in the country, have expressed their all-round cooperation in successful establishment and leading the Front to the final victory."

"The vast support of our industrious people for the establishment of this front is a clear indication of their willingness to adopt a joint front for the safeguarding of the gains of their revolution and the people of Afghanistan."

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"The industrious people of Afghanistan, who for long has suffered a lot as a result of the exploitation and anti-people policies of the past regimes, have acquired new hopes and expectations after the victory of the national and democratic revolution in the country. Since its inception the revolutionary state has tried to increase the unity of the nationalities and provided equal rights to all the nationalities and tribes of this nation. One of these steps was the establishment of the front. The revolutionary state intends, through this front, to encourage the masses of the country to take active part in the work of the development of the nation and to forge their ranks for safeguarding the gains of the revolution, made for the raising the standard of living and introduction of basic changes in the life of the general masses in the country. We are sure that the establishment of this front, as important historical event in the history of our nation, will prove instrumental in forging the healthy forces of the nation closer in a single body and will lead the country toward further victories", Dr Babek added.

# Needed

Ministry of Mines & Industries, needs the following specified chemicals for Bagramie Textile Company:

- 1—Caustic Soda (95 per cent solid, —500 tons.
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# Needed

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# OFFER RECEIVED

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## Babakhanov joins prayer in Kabul mosque

KABUL, June 29 (Bakhtar)—Mufti Ziyaeddin Khan Babakhanov, Chairman of the Ecclesiastical Board of the Moslems of the Central Asia and the Soviet Kazakhstan, and the delegation accompanying him, now on a friendly tour of Afghanistan, accompanied by Dr Sayed Afghani, President of the Islamic Affairs Department and Chairman of the High Council of Scholars and Clergy of Afghanistan, visited the Soviet Cultural Centre in Kabul yesterday morning.

The delegation attended the afternoon service at the Shahdo Shamsheh congregational mosque and, later, a function hosted in their honour by the Academy of Sciences of Afghanistan.

According to another report, Mufti Babakhanov and his delegation visited the arms museum, where weapons captured from the counter-revolutionary lackeys of imperialism and regional reaction by the Armed Forces and other patriots, are on display.

## 38 released

KABUL, June 29 (Bakhtar)—Thirty-eight disillusioned persons, who were under custody in the Balkh province on charges of terrorism, were released on June 27.

Repenting their past actions, the released persons pledged that not only will they not listen to the treacherous propaganda of the enemies of revolution but will fight to their last breath against the counter-revolutionary elements and will earnestly contribute in safeguarding the gains of the Saur Revolution.

## Rallies hail NFF...

(Continued from Page 1) Parwan, Badakhshan, Nangarhar and Jauzjan provinces.

Workers and employees of the textile mill of Kandahar, officers and soldiers of the police, 'soldiers of revolution, and military regiments of the province welcomed the formation of the front.

Samad Azahar, alternate member of the PDPA CC, and secretary of the provincial committee and the Governor of Kandahar spoke on the role of the NFF in the social, political and economic life of the people and expressed gratitude for the welcome of the people for the front.

Similar function held on this occasion in Faisalabad, Charikar, Jalalabad and Sheberghan, which were, joined by large masses.

## PRAYERS

Clergymen, Ulama and other residents of the Pole Khomri district of the Baghlan province, after the Friday prayer, prayed for the prosperity of the country and unity of the people in the front.

The function was addressed by the secretary of the provincial committee of the province and Maulavi Mohammad Sadiq, one of the clergymen.

Large popular meetings continue to be held in support of the formation of the National Fatherland Front all over Afghanistan.

The participants of the meetings and functions, with revolutionary enthusiasm and patriotism express all-out readiness for fulfilment of the gains of the Saur Revolution and for the gains of the National Fatherland Front and voice-promises of their all-out efforts for building a new and blossoming Afghanistan.

## Afs 35-m GDR gift to DRA peace body

KABUL, June 29 (Bakhtar)—Consumer goods worth Afs 35 million, gift of the GDR Peace and Solidarity Organization, was handed over to representative of the protocol department of some ministries and social organisations by the representative of the Peace, Solidarity and Friendship Organisation of Afghanistan yesterday.

The goods include medicines, stationery, motorcycles, first aid medicines, sewing machines, clothes for men, women, children, stretchers for hospitals, first aid-kits.

## Mercenaries' arms on show in Nangarhar

KABUL, June 29 (Bakhtar)—Thousands of the people of Nangarhar saw Egyptian, American, Chinese and Pakistani weapons on display in the governorate hall of that province.

These weapons were confiscated as a result of the joint operations of the soldiers and officers of the Nangarhar eleventh army, commandos, border forces, and the Nangarhar party members, from a big arms cache of the bandits in Tura Bura of Pachir and Agam subdistrict of that province.

The people expressed anger and hatred for the inhuman and anti-Islamic actions of the counter-revolutionary bands, enemies of the people of Afghanistan.

At the function in support of the NFF at the Amani school by the workers and employees of the Foreign Affairs Ministry and staff of the Haqiqate Enqelabi Saur, Dastagir Panjsheri, member of the Politburo of the PDPA CC and member of the Revolutionary Council explained the humanitarian aims and the necessity of the NFF at this juncture of history of the country and asked all the people to join the front and continue a just, progressive struggle for building a new and blossoming country.

## NEW NATION

One of the employees, on behalf of the Ministry staff and the Haqiqate Enqelabi Saur, expressed their readiness for implementation of the humanitarian gains of the Saur Revolution.

Similar functions were held by the workers and employees of the Finance Ministry, the Mines and Industries Ministry and the Geodesy and Cartography Departments at the Finance Ministry. Abdul Wakil, Minister of Finance spoke on the aims of the NFF and greeted the formation of the NFF.

Two of the Geodesy and Cartography departments employees expressed their complete support for the front.

The staff and workers of the Communications Ministry held a function in support of the NFF. The Deputy Minister of the Ministry also spoke on the subject. Then one of the workers of the Ministry, on behalf of the others, pledged to the party and revolutionary Government, all-out sacrifices for the implementation of the gains of the front.

Soldiers and army officers of unit 88, in a meeting expressed support for the front by chanting revolutionary slogans and speeches.

## Change in working hours during Ramadan

KABUL, June 29 (Bakhtar)—On the eve of the month of Ramadan, the religious Moslem people of Afghanistan enthusiastically welcome it in the spirit of Islam.

A source of the DRA Islamic Affairs Department on this occasion, said that recitation of the whole of the holy Koran and 'Tarawih' prayer will be held in 200 mosques of Kabul and its surrounding areas and all over the country.

A source of the Work and Social Securities department of the Prime Ministry said that on the basis of the decisions adopted by the authorities concerned, the work hours of the Government employees will begin at 7 a.m. and end at 1 p.m. including on Thursdays,

without break during the month of Ramadan.

The official working hours of the Government officials, contract employees and the workers are six hours per day. The working hours for the industrial enterprises and other projects will be organised with due consideration for six-hour work in a shift and the beginning and ending of the work hours will be fixed by the Mines and Industry Ministry and other institutions concerned.

The Ministry of the Higher and Vocational Education will regulate the beginning and ending of the working hours of the universities, higher educational institutes and the schools on the basis of this procedure.

## Asean resents US bid to arm China

PARIS, June 29 (Tass)—Member-countries of the Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN) are seriously concerned over the US decision to lift restrictions on deliveries of armaments to China, writes French newspaper Le Figaro.

The newspaper writes that these countries have fears that this step can entail the escalation of the arms race in Asia and heighten the threat that Peking presents for South East Asia.

## DEPLORABLE

Le Figaro says that Indonesian diplomats assess as "deplorable" and even "stupid" Washington's decision that was announced during the visit of US State Secretary Alexander Haig in Peking and stress that this decision contradicts ASEAN policy. Malaysian diplomats express regret over the fact that the US underestimates the danger of China's expansion in South East Asia, to which China made claims over centuries.

It is pointed out in Singapore that China presents a potential danger and that it would be reckless to arm it.

Le Figaro writes that a

particularly strong concern is felt in Manila. It does not want China to get the opportunity to increase its influence in South East Asia. It is felt in Manila in an even greater degree than in Singapore, Kuala Lumpur and Jakarta that it is precisely China that constitutes the main threat to peoples of South-East Asia.

A number of other serious differences between the US and ASEAN countries came to light during the recent talks in the capital of the Philippines. ASEAN countries, among them Thailand, suspect real intentions of the US states in South East Asia Le Figaro writes.

It says that Singapore, the Philippines, Malaysia and Indonesia are hostile to Washington's plans to involve Japan in the participation in the "defence system of South-East Asia."

This idea was discussed in Manila during the meeting between Haig and his Japanese counterpart Sunao Sonoda.

And finally, the positions of the US and ASEAN countries differ sharply in the matter of relations with states of Indo-China, against which, as is known, Washington and Peking harbour aggressive designs.

## US envoy faces penalty for anti-Zionist vote

MOSCOW, June 29 (Tass)—The US Government is likely to disavow its Permanent UN representative Jeanne Kirkpatrick who voted, together with other 14 Security Council members, for a resolution denouncing Israel for its raid on the Iraqi nuclear research centre.

The New York Times said, assistants of US State Secretary Alexander Haig criticised Kirkpatrick's actions which, they believed, had allowed the Security Council to adopt the resolution. In other words, the fig-leaf with which Washington has been covering up its virtual encouragement and support for Tel Aviv's banditism against Iraq, has lived a short life.

It is interesting to follow the evolution of the state department's attitude to this issue. At first, Washington was openly defending and justifying Israel's aggressive actions and threatened to use its right of veto to prevent Tel Aviv from being punished in the Security Council for the raid.

After it was faced with criticism of its attitude by Arab and other countries, Washington agreed to join the other Security Co-

uncil members in denouncing Israel, so as not to make itself a black sheep.

Now Washington seems to believe that the US vote in the Security Council has played its role, defusing hostility, and that the US should now dissociate itself from the resolution so as not to upset its friends.

Jeanne Kirkpatrick may become a scapegoat of the State Department's manoeuvres. If so, she will not be the first one.

Her predecessor McHenry joined all the Security Council members in voting for not more than a reprimand of Israel's programme to set up settlements in occupied Arab lands (in other words, for their direct annexation) and a change in the status of Jerusalem in March last year. Two days later, President Carter personally disavowed McHenry's vote.

In August 1979, Andrew Young was made by the White House to resign the same office because he had dared enter into a working contact with the Permanent Representative of the Palestine Liberation Organization to the UN.

## HUA'S VISIT TO INDIA: NO BIG CHANGE LIKELY IN TIES

NEW DELHI, June 29 (Ceteka)—Chinese Deputy Premier and Foreign Minister Huang Hua's visit to India, which started day before yesterday, is marked by the fact that the two countries' relations have been tense for already a quarter of a century.

Relations between China and India sharpened particularly in 1962 when China attacked India and occupied over 120,000 km of its territory, 36,000 sq. km of which it still keeps under its control.

According to reports from Peking, Hua brought with him a proposal for the recognition of the present border and legalisation of the annexation of the occupied part of India.

India is in favour of reconciliation and normalisation of contacts with China but is not going to sacrifice either its legitimate territory or the basic principles of its foreign policy to this aim, the Indian Press stressed in connection with Hua's visit.

India is exposed even to armed pressure exerted by groups of Maoist separatists in the north eastern part of the country. So far, protests of Indian authorities against China's aid to these subversive elements have been in vain.

Concern is aroused in New Delhi also by China's military support for Pakistan, particularly the construction of the strategic Karakoram road across the north eastern part of the state of Jammu and Kashmir which India considers part of its territory, and reports on China's aid to Pakistan in the development of a nuclear weapon.

According to semi-official New Delhi paper National Herald, Hua's visit is not expected to result in any essential change in relations between the two countries.

The Chinese Deputy Premier and Foreign Minister will later visit also Sri Lanka and Maldives.

## NO DEAL

India's Prime Minister Indira Gandhi has completely excluded the possibility that a bilateral deal might be concluded with China providing for the transfer to China of a part of India's territory in exchange for China's return of the occupied Indian lands.

Speaking to newsmen in Patna (Bihar), she said in answer to a question concerning the current official visit to India of China's Foreign Minister Huang

## More arrests in Belfast

BELFAST, June 29 (Ceteka)—Police arrested several dozens of demonstrators, including some members of the Belfast City Council, who were demanding an end to violence and oppression by British authorities.

## Chinese army chief begins W. European tour

BONN, June 29 (Ceteka)—Chief of the Chinese Army General Staff Yang Dezhi started his tour of several West European states by arriving in Frankfurt Am Main yesterday.

His tour is aimed at sounding out advantageous arms purchases. Yang Dezhi's visit to West Germany and Switzerland is described as 'tourist' trip while his visit to Belgium, Britain and France is to be of an official nature.

Hua that, before concluding any agreement with China, it must be always remembered that China continues occupying India's territory.

Speaking at a mass rally in Patna, she also said India did not oppose acquisition of armaments for defence purposes by various countries, but that stockpiling of excessive arsenals presented an indisputable danger and posed a threat to the interests of neighbouring states.

The past experience, Mrs Gandhi said, indicated that these weapons had been invariably directed against India.

She said that India had been so far concentrating all its efforts on peaceful construction but if neighbouring countries continued to build up armaments and thereby to threaten the security of India, it would have to review its policy.

## IN NORTH-EAST

India's Press, meanwhile, is expressing serious alarm over Peking's increasing interference in the country's home affairs.

China's has noticeably stepped up training and sending into the northeastern states of India all sorts of agents, saboteurs and terrorists, recruited from among local separatists and trained at special camps in China's territory. Over the recent two weeks alone 42 Chinese spies have been detained during an attempt to cross the border in the area of Arunachal Pradesh state.

According to the well-informed Indian New Wave weekly India's security forces again detained the other day a new group of Peking's agents in Tirap area (Arunachal Pradesh state). They were found to have important classified documents testifying that China not only drew up a detailed plan to unite diverse separatist groupings in the north-eastern state, but also started its practical implementation.

Under the plan, the so-

called "Socialist Committee of Nagaland" established close ties with such separatist organisations as the National Mizo Front, "the National Volunteer Force" (in the Mizoram Union Territory), the "People's Liberation Army of Manipur" and nationalist organisations in Assam state. These groups want to create one or several "states" under the Chinese protectorate.

## APPEAL

Subversive forces in Nagaland, the New Wave points out, receive direct financial aid from Peking through the "Socialist Committee of Nagaland". Simultaneously separatist organisation broadly use burglary of banks and shops to increase their funds. Thus, the other day a group of armed separatists in Shillong (Meghalaya state) robbed a Government institution.

Meanwhile, the Communist Party of India has urged the country's Government and Parliament to support the appeal by the USSR Supreme Soviet to parliaments and peoples of the world, read out by Leonid Brezhnev at the fifth session of the USSR Supreme Soviet, which calls, in particular, for an unconditional and urgent resumption of talks on putting an end to the nuclear arms race.

The statement issued by the CPI also says that, by its actions, US imperialism has brought closer the danger of outbreak of war to India's very threshold, thus putting to a serious test its sovereignty and national unity.

The CPI maintains, the document points out, that under this situation the peoples of the all peace-loving states on earth as well as their parliaments must immediately come out in support of the initiative of the USSR Supreme Soviet and rally its ranks in order to make the US administration and the American "hawks" give up the dangerous policy pursued by them.

## Kampuchean National Assembly approves constitution

HANOI, June 29 (Ceteka)—The Cambodian National Assembly approved Cambodia's constitution at its first session, which ended the day before yesterday.

National Assembly Chairman Chea Sim said in his address that the Assembly adopted an economic and cultural program for this year.

He condemned Chinese expansionists who, together with US imperialists and with the aid of traitors of the Cambodian people, aim at disrupting peaceful life in Cambodia. He also stressed that Cambodia's foreign policy is a policy of independence, peace and nonalignment.

The National Assembly expressed gratitude for the selfless aid of Vietnam, Laos, the Soviet Union and other socialist countries to Cambodia.

The first session of the assembly of the People's Republic of Kampuchea adopted a new constitution of the country, says Tass from Phnompenh. It seals legislatively the revolutionary gains of the Kampuchean people and maps out the road of the development of the country-building the mainstays of a Soc-

ialist society.

The adoption of the new fundamental law of the country is fresh evidence of the major headway made by the Kampuchean people under the guidance of the People's Revolutionary Party of Kampuchea in the rehabilitation of the country.

The deputies started discussing the guidelines for the social and economic development of the country. A report on the matter was made by a member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the People's Revolutionary Party of Kampuchea, Chea Sot.

WASHINGTON, June 29 (Tass)—The US-controlled International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) has announced its decision to grant China a loan worth 200 million dollars. This is the bank's first decision on Peking since China joined the bank in May 1980.

A half of the promised credit will be given for 20 years along the channels of the bank itself, the other half—for 50 years—by the International Development Association, affiliated to the World Bank.

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