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G-7 backs use of UN force to reach relief to Bosnia

MUNICH, July 7: Western leaders warned Serbia militia Tuesday that UN military force may be used to get relief supplies to war-shattered Bosnia. The leaders also spread out a welcome mat for Russian President Boris Yeltsin to hear his demands for economic help, reports AP.

"We firmly warn the parties concerned, including irregular forces, not to take any action that would endanger the lives of those engaged in the relief operation," the leaders said. "Irregular forces" was a clear reference to Serbian militia fighting in newly independent Bosnia.

Presidents and prime ministers of the United States, Germany, France, Britain, Japan and Italy also pledged to help former Soviet states safeguard their nuclear weapons.

Midway in their annual three-day Group of Seven economic summit, the leaders

hosted by German Chancellor Helmut Kohl issued a sweeping political communiqué, well as a special communiqué on shattered Yugoslavia and a statement on the Mideast.

On the economic front, the leaders of the United States, Japan, Germany, Britain, France, Italy and Canada appeared headed for failure in their search for a strategy to revive global economic growth or to revamp the world trading system.

US Secretary of State James A Baker said the leaders could not agree on breaking the logjam of the Uruguay Round of world trade talks. But he also said the final communiqué on Wednesday would include provisions showing that progress had been made.

"They're a lot closer...than they have been in the last two years" to final agreement, Baker said in an ABC TV interview.

But the leaders did reach a consensus on the Yugoslav crisis in a statement aimed at ensuring protection for United Nations efforts to assist war-torn Bosnia-Herzegovina.

There was no proposal for UN military intervention to stop the conflict itself, although the summit's political communiqué lamented the "death, destruction and widespread dislocation of innocent people" in the former Yugoslavia.

As the summit continued, unknown attackers threw a firebomb into an office building of one of Germany's largest companies, Siemens electronics, early Tuesday. Police said they believed it was a protest against the summit. No injuries were reported.

The 18th annual G-7 summit — the first since the collapse of the Soviet Union — officially opened with a brace of developments related to the

dancy situation in formerly communist lands.

Yeltsin will get the first \$1 billion of a \$24 billion aid package without having to raise energy prices to world levels. International Monetary Fund Director Michel Camdessus said Russia has agreed to a three-phase programme of economic reform and qualified for the western aid package but Moscow won't have to liberalize energy prices "all of a sudden."

On Yugoslavia, President Bush, who last week authorized the first US Air Force relief flights to Bosnia, has thrown his weight behind the opening of a land corridor to supply Bosnia with food and medicine. Brent Scowcroft, the US national security adviser, said Bush and the other leaders spent most of the time at dinner Monday night discussing how to ensure the aid

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Unparliamentary words expunged Huda loses his cool again

By Staff Correspondent

Speaker Sheikh Razaque Ali yesterday expunged some of the unparliamentary words used in the proceedings during the last three days by Abdu Samad Azad, Deputy Leader of the Opposition, Tofael Ahmed, Awami League (AL) MP and Nazmul Huda, Minister for Information.

The Speaker's decision came following a chaotic debate after he requested Nazmul Huda to withdraw three unparliamentary words used on July 5. The Speaker in his request expected that the Minister would "withdraw the words with a sense of magnanimity." The Minister, in his turn, quoting articles from the Rules of Procedure, observed that members of the Opposition always violated the same making noise and not allowing others to speak in a peaceful envi-

ronment. Huda, in his speech, said that this was his first entry into Parliament and he was in the process of learning. He said "In this House I have never had any chance of a peaceful environment. In this House sandals were shown, files were thrown and all these I have learnt here."

In an oblique reference to Samad Azad, the Information Minister said that he was prompted to use the unparliamentary word because of a comment about him made in a public meeting.

He further added that he had learnt some of the things from an ex-Foreign Minister, supposed to know the rules."

In an angry tone he wanted to know from the Speaker why he (Speaker) was not stopping

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Seen from the Gallery

By Sabir Mustafa

He came, he had a look around, and stole the show. Mizanur Rahman Chowdhury, former many things under many names, showed once again why he is regarded by many as one of the finest practitioners of the art known as parliamentary politics.

Jatiya Party's return to the House after the Magrib break on Tuesday, without achieving its main goal of having Hussain Muhammad Ershad of Rangpur to lead them, was turned into a virtual triumph by Chowdhury's speech, which was full of acid condemnation coated in conciliatory sugar.

If Rajiv Gandhi could allow Beant Singh, the killer of his mother Indira Gandhi, to attend parliament, then why, Chowdhury asked, couldn't this government allow Ershad

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Special UP bill withdrawn

By Staff Correspondent

The term of Union Parishad (special provision) Bill, 1992, although proposed to be introduced in Parliament yesterday, was withdrawn by the concerned minister following objection by the Gonatantri Party MP Suranjit Sengupta.

Suranjit, however, could be able to secure support from the Law Minister Mirza Golam Hafiz.

A sub-clause of the proposed bill to be officially introduced in the House sought that a government administrator would run the Union Parishad until the next fresh election was held in cases of expiry of the tenure of the Union Parishads.

Suranjit at this stage took the floor to oppose introduction of the proposed bill in the House and argued that since the Twelfth Amendment of the Constitution had opted for

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JP back in House

By Staff Correspondent

Mizanur Rahman Chowdhury, acting chairman of the Jatiya Party (JP) yesterday said that his party had no permanent enmity with anyone. Mizan Chowdhury made this statement in Parliament after the JP ended its programme of boycotting the proceedings of the House.

The JP MPs, barring former President Ershad, Mahmudul Hasan and Anwar Hossain, returned to Parliament after the Magrib break.

Mizan Chowdhury in his statement further observed that a darkness was looming large and said that a leadership should be there to lead the country out of this darkness.

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Boiler blast in steel mills leaves several hurt

From Our Correspondent

NARAYANGANJ, July 7: Several persons were injured when a boiler in the Mir Kasem Steel Re-rolling Mills exploded Tuesday.

The mills is situated at Fatullah.

Two of the injured Hajrat Ali and Abdul Hakim, were admitted to the Dhaka Medical College Hospital, while the others in local hospitals.

The cause of the blast was being investigated.

Shahjahan new IGP

ABM Shahjahan has been appointed Inspector General of Police, official sources said last night, reports UNB.

He replaced Enamul Haq who was retired from the service.

Shahjahan who comes from Noakhali began his career as a teacher of Rajshahi Government College in 1964 and was lecturer in Rajshahi University for a brief period before joining the Pakistan Police Service in 1965.

He is expected to assume the new charge today.



Soap Manufacturer Association brought out a procession in the city yesterday demanding withdrawal of VAT.

Myanmar situation congenial for Rohingyas' return, Matin tells JS

The present situation in Myanmar is congenial for return of Rohingyas refugees from Bangladesh, said Home Minister Abdul Matin Chowdhury in parliament yesterday, reports UNB.

"The situation that forced the refugees to leave their country has now changed and improved...there's no reason to be afraid of," he said replying to a volley of supplementary questions from both the benches.

Earlier, the refugees expressed unwillingness to return to their abandoned homes alleging that repressive acts of the Myanmar troops had not stopped.

The Home Minister said the Bangladesh government was motivating the refugees to go back to their homeland. "We

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Finance Ministry seeks BB advice on NCL issue

By Inam Ahmed

The Finance Ministry has asked the Bangladesh Bank (BB) Saturday to send report on the legal implications involved in giving permission to National Credit Limited (NCL) to become a commercial bank.

The ministry has asked the BB to express its opinion whether the inspection report of the NCL is satisfactory, according to official sources.

The BB has been also asked to report in details on the defaulting loans of the investment company and how these loans were disbursed.

Questions have also been raised if these loans had been disbursed knowing fully that there is no chance of any recovery.

The ministry also wanted to know if the NCL had taken any steps to recover these loans.

The ministry in its request also sought the BB's advice whether the defaulting directors of NCL can also become the directors of any commercial bank simultaneously.

The ministry further asked the BB to advise whether it is rightful to let NCL function as an investment company and as a commercial bank at the same time.

The inspection report of

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Private university bill introduced

Two bills including one providing for establishment of university in the private sector were introduced in parliament Tuesday, reports UNB.

Education Minister Zamiruddin Sircar who piloted the Private University Bill 1992 said philanthropists, welfare trust and organisations were eager to establish universities.

Rejecting the objection by Mohammad Nasim (AL) in introducing the bill, the Education Minister said 90 per cent of the universities in Japan, 80 per cent in America and 60 per cent in England were run in the private sector.

It said a sense of competition would be generated with the coming up of university in the private sector leading to improvement of quality. The students who are now going abroad for higher education at

a high cost, will be inclined to study at home, he added.

Referring to terrorism on the campus, Sircar said the situation now had by and large normalised. Classes were being held regularly, he said and expressed the hope that session jam would be removed in next three years.

Explaining the objectives of the bill the Education Minister said the demand for expanding the scope for higher education had been increasing. It is, therefore, essential to have university in the private sector to meet the increasing demand, he added.

The bill, inter alia, proposed that following conditions are to be fulfilled for setting up a university under private initiative:

a) Plan for education has to

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Colombo meet begins today SAARC FMs to study Tokyo's proposal

COLOMBO, July 7: South Asian Foreign Ministers are to discuss a proposal by Japan to establish closer trade and economic ties with their seventies regional grouping, Foreign Ministry officials here said today, reports AFP.

The ministerial meeting of the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) which opens here Wednesday will study Tokyo's suggestion to set up a Japan-South Asia Cooperation Centre in Japan, officials said.

They said Tokyo was also keen to establish a special fund to assist the SAARC countries comprising Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan and Sri Lanka.

No further details on the Japanese proposal were immediately available. Japan is a major trading partner as well as aid donor to Sri Lanka, the current Chairman of SAARC, and several other SAARC nations.

SAARC ministers were also expected to ratify an inter-governmental economic cooperation group to exchange lists of products and services that could come under a proposed preferential trade agreement in the region.

PTI from Madras adds: Setting up a SAARC Chamber of Commerce and steps to strengthen people-to-people contact among member countries would be discussed in the meeting, Union Minister of State for External Affairs, RM Eduardo Faleiro, said today.

Talking to reporters en route to Colombo from Delhi, he said during the meeting a draft on preferential trade agreements among members was likely to be brought out. Steps for exchange of information relating to drug trafficking and measures to control it would also figure in the talks.

Possibilities of cooperation with other regional organisations like ASEAN and the European Community would also be explored during the Colombo meeting.

Faleiro said India already supported the proposal that the SAARC Chairman could hold informal consultations with these organisations without making any commitment, and reflecting SAARC's common approach, he said.

When in Colombo, the minister is likely to hold bilateral talks with his counterparts in Sri Lanka and Pakistan.

Govt plans to fence off Baridhara diplomatic enclave

By Farid Hossain

The government is planning to fence Baridhara diplomatic enclave for better protection of the foreign missions, an idea prompted by last week's mob attack on the Chinese Embassy, official sources said on Wednesday.

They said the government has already designated Baridhara, Gulshan, Banani and parts of Dhanmandi as special security zones to ensure safety of foreign diplomats and their families.

The Home Ministry, responding to a request from the Foreign Office, has stepped up police security for these affluent areas where the foreign diplomatic missions and their houses are located.

In addition to tightening security for the embassies the government has decided to post police squads before the residences of foreign diplomats and nationals.

The sources said concerned authorities have been asked to demolish all unauthorised slums, shops and other establishments in and around these areas, especially in Baridhara which is being developed as the city's main diplomatic enclave.

"Anything that may pose a security hazard will be re-

moved from these areas," said a source, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Last Thursday's attack on the Chinese Embassy panicked the foreigners, many of them urging the government to step up security for them. The government has said it is determined

35 injured in bus-truck collision

By Staff Correspondent

At least 35 people were injured, five of them seriously, when a bus and a truck collided near Bishaw Road crossing on Airport Road Tuesday afternoon.

The bus (Faridpur ba-96) bound for Tangail.

All of the injured passengers were rushed to the Combined Military Hospital (CMH) where 23 were released after first aid and 12 others were admitted.

Of the seriously injured four were identified as Badsha Mia, Nizamuddin Bhuyyan, Alam Khan and Hossain Ali.

Cantonment police rushed to the spot and seized both the bus and the truck.

mined to protect the foreign nationals and has taken measures against recurrence of such incidents.

"When we speak of security of foreign missions, we also mean it for non-diplomatic foreign nationals who are guests in Bangladesh," one official said.

Meanwhile, the Chinese diplomats, recovering from the shock inflicted by the unfortunate attack, feel satisfied with the steps the Bangladesh government has taken following the violence, the sources said.

Foreign Minister A S M Mostafizur Rahman is taking personal interest in finding out the offenders and is maintaining close contacts with the Home Ministry to follow up government's actions. Police are questioning the 19 people arrested in connection with the attack to find out the real motive and punish the offenders.

The authorities are also working on an inquiry the government ordered immediately after the incident, the sources said.

The government has said the rumour that touched off the attack is "absolutely unfounded and baseless."

Opponents of reform will be removed, warns Deng

BEIJING, July 7: Chinese leader Deng Xiaoping has heralded a house cleaning of the Communist Party ahead of a crucial party congress this year, warning that opponents of his reform campaign will be removed, reports AFP.

He also said that a little chaos in the process would be acceptable.

"We must give up one-sided ideology and prejudice towards markets and accelerate the establishment of the new economic system of socialist market economy," the Liberation Daily quoted the 87-year-old patriarch as saying.

The new market place will eliminate those who have served as officials but not created wealth for the people, those who have ruled for many years unchanged as the mountains and rivers, and those who are lazy and conservative, living off the gains of their forefathers," he said.

"Failure to act, break new ground and compete are the biggest mistakes and the biggest failures."

The new clarion call appeared in a front-page article in the Shanghai-based daily under the headline, "On changing mindsets." The arti-

cle was signed by Ji Fangwen, believed to be the pen name of a reformist writing group in Shanghai.

The article, the first public report of Deng's remarks during a May 22 inspection of Beijing's capital iron and steel complex, set out clear guidelines for selecting pro-reform leaders before the 14th Communist Party Congress later this year.

The congress will elect a new leadership and set the tone of party policy for the next five years.

The article called for the full embrace of market forces

even at the expense of disorder, a shift from the repressive attitude that followed the military suppression of the 1989 Tiananmen Square democracy movement.

"When ten million minds start to work and get busy seeking the biggest profits, they will certainly be harder to control than the ossified situation of obeying one mind," Deng was quoted as saying.

"Under such circumstances, the appearance of a little chaos is unavoidable and normal," he said.

The newspaper quoted Deng as calling for 'liberalizing

first and setting guidelines later," saying initial problems should not hold back bold reforms such as the setting up of stock markets and the divestiture of power.

"This deep reform... is bound to provoke profound change in economics, politics, society, science and technology, culture and other fields," Den also said. "It is bound to cause important changes in people's behavioral norms, life styles, consciousness, values and sense of right and wrong."

He backed officials who take the initiative, giving reformers a new tool against

critics and intransigents.

"We should use the market economy to measure our cadres," the leader said. "We should permit failure in market competition, but we cannot permit failure to act, break new ground and compete."

"We cannot let those who watch find fault with those who act... we cannot, more importantly, allow those who watch attack those who act," Deng said.

"Market economics is a battlefield," he added. "We must not execute a general for minor demerits."