

# China blocks UN Council statement on Aristide

UNITED NATIONS, Oct 30: China early today again blocked a Security Council statement supporting Haiti's ousted President Jean-Bertrand Aristide because the ousted leader had called for the seating of rival Taiwan in the United Nations, reports Reuters.

Council members gathered today after Aristide had written a letter of explanation to China's UN Ambassador Li Zhaoxing in expectation of approving the statement.

But apparently the letter, which was not immediately disclosed, was unsatisfactory and diplomats were negotiating with Haiti's envoys to see if another draft could be worked out by the end of the day, Council sources said.

China, a permanent Security Council member with veto power, considers Taiwan a part of its territory and is vehemently opposed to granting it separate UN membership.

Aristide, in a speech to the UN General Assembly Thursday, prominently mentioned Taiwan and no one is certain what prompted him to do so.

As he began his address he said, "I cannot overlook all the other friends who are so dear to our hearts, those in the Caribbean, in America, in Europe and Asia who have given us such a warm-hearted welcome."

"We are thinking particularly of the republic of China, Taiwan, which, it is our hope, will regain its place in the great family of the United Nations."

Taiwan recently has been wooing central American and Caribbean states.

Under a UN brokered July 3 agreement, Aristide was to have resumed office in Haiti today and Cedras was to have resigned two weeks ago.

UNITED NATIONS, Oct 30: After settling a dispute with China, the Security Council agreed on a statement supporting ousted Haitian President Jean-Bertrand Aristide on Saturday, the day he was supposed to have returned to his homeland, reports AP.

Meanwhile, the United Nations called Friday for emergency talks between the army and interim Prime Minister Robert Malval to bring exiled President Jean-Bertrand Aristide back to Haiti immediately.

The military did not respond immediately to the invitation, although UN envoy Dante Caputo said he expected an answer within 24 hours. Haitian army, chief General Raoul Cedras has balked at stepping

down and allowing Aristide to return on Saturday as agreed in a July accord brokered by the world body.

Caputo stressed that there would be no renegotiating the so-called governors island agreement and that the talks would be aimed at resolving UN disputes which have blocked its application.

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Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia formally releasing a commemorative postage stamp issued by the Bangladesh Post Office on the natural beauty of Bangladesh at her office yesterday. — PID photo

## Commemorative stamps on natural beauty

The Bangladesh Post Office issued a set of four commemorative postage stamps each of Taka 10 denomination, a souvenir sheet valued at Taka 50 and a first day cover worth Taka 5 on the natural beauty of Bangladesh yesterday, reports BSS.

Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia formally released the stamps at a simple ceremony at her office.

A special canceller was also used and a leaflet was issued.

Posts and Telecommunications Minister Tariqul Islam, Principal Secretary to the Prime Minister K M Rabbani, Post and Telecommunications Secretary Dr A M Shawkat Ali and high officials were present on the occasion.

The stamps and the first day cover will be sold simultaneously from all GPOs and head post offices all over Bangladesh.

## The Midnight File

### 18 burned to death in Turkey

ADANA (Turkey), Oct 30: At least 18 bus passengers were burned to death and more than 20 were injured Saturday when a quick-moving fire consumed the vehicle, the Anatolia news agency said. The passengers were trapped when the hydraulically operated doors failed to open. The fire was caused by a short-circuited cable, it said, reports AP.

### UN security body on Somalia meets

MOGADISHU, Oct 30: The first meeting of the UN sponsored Security Advisory Committee wasn't exactly a roaring success Saturday. Only four Somalis showed up. No one came to speak for either Gen Mohamed Farrah Aided or Ali Mahdi Mohamed, the two warlords who have divided up Mogadishu. Just two of Somalia's 15 factions were represented, reports AP.

## 8 killed, 88 hurt

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Those admitted to the Sadar Hospital were stated to be in critical condition. They are Hafizul, 28, Shaiful, 25, Marium, 50, and Sanita Rani, 17.

Police seized the bus, but its driver and helper fled the scene.

In another accident two people, including a senior physician, were killed and three injured in two accidents on the Dhaka-Aricha highway early yesterday.

Police and witnesses said Dr T Hossain, 50, was killed and his wife and daughter-in-law were injured when their private car knocked a truck standing at Bathuli in Dhamrai thana at about 1 am.

The doctor, learnt to be the owner of a private clinic in Manikganj town, was driving the car. He died on the spot. His wife Mahfuza Khatun, 40, and their daughter-in-law Pia, 25, were injured critically.

Mahfuza was admitted to the Manikganj Sadar Hospital and Pia sent to the Dhaka Medical College Hospital. Hospital sources said the condition of both was critical.

At Meghshimul near the Manikganj bus stand, a speeding minibus knocked a rickshaw in the morning, killing its passenger and injuring the rickshaw-puller.

The dead was named Hazrat Ali, 60. The rickshaw puller was given first aid. Police seized the minibus.

In Mymensingh an unidentified youth was killed and 50 other passengers were wounded, 20 of them seriously, when a Dhaka-bound minibus turned turtle near the Begunbari crossing on the Mymensingh-Tangail highway.

All the seriously injured passengers were admitted to the Mymensingh Medical College Hospital. The youth, aged about 18, succumbed to injuries at the hospital.

The minibus overturned when the driver of the bus tried to save an auto-rickshaw coming from the opposite direction, police and eye-witnesses said.

## Hartal observed

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The Jamaat-Shibir, Freedom Party and Jubo Command.

This was the second hartal in October. Earlier, two major political parties — the Awami League and the Jatiya Party — called an eight-hour hartal on October 10. The Awami League also demanded the trial of Golam Azam as a 'war criminal'.

In the capital, the hartal was observed peacefully with a few scattered incidents involving the rickshaws plying on the roads and some blasts in the older parts of the city.

Pickets blocked the roads at Gulistan, Topkhana Road, Motijheel, Farmgate, New Market, Azampur, Malibagh and Maghbazar.

The pro-hartal activists brought out processions and held several rallies at different city points reiterating their demands.

The coordination council of recitation organisations held a rally near the Jatiya Press Club. Abdul Razzak MP, Mofazzal Hossain Chowdhury Maya, Abdullah Sarker, Prof. Abdul Mannan Chowdhury, addressing the gathering called for the implementation of their demands.

Police, BDR and Ansars were posted at different city points to maintain peace during the hartal hours.

Our Narayanangj Correspondent reports: Normal life came to a halt because of the Nirmul body sponsored hartal.

Vehicular traffic plying on the Dhaka-Demra highway was

## Hartal observed

detained while offices, banks and educational institutions remained shut.

According to mill management and police sources, some of the factories including the Adamjee Jute Mills operated normally.

No casualties or untoward incidents were reported during the hartal.

Our Correspondents from Chittagong, Rajshahi, Khulna, Pabna and Sylhet reported that the hartal was observed peacefully except at Pabna where eight people were injured, two of them seriously, when pro-hartal activists clashed with the Jamaat workers at Sandia.

Two seriously injured — Amjad Hossain, 30, and Mujibur Rahman, 18, — were admitted at the Pabna Sadar Hospital. Both of them were identified as Nirmul Committee activists.

The Dhaka Medical College Students' Union (DMCSU) elections will be held on November 25, according to a decision taken by the Academic Council of the college on October 28.

## Mostafiz starts Oman visit today

Foreign Minister ASM Mostafizur Rahman begins a three-day visit to Oman today to discuss bilateral matters with leaders of the Gulf country, reports UNB.

The visit is taking place at the invitation of Oman Foreign Minister Yusuf Bin Alawi Bin Abdullah.

## Pak polls

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both camps from the army's general headquarters, as a president enjoying bipartisan support is considered desirable for political stability.

The names being considered by PML include Sajjad, former National Assembly Speaker Gohar Ayub Khan and PML Secretary General Sartaj Aziz, reports said.

Prominent among those on the PPP's list of probable candidates were former caretaker premier Balakh Sher Mazari, former Minister Hamid Nasir Chhattha and veteran politician Nawabzada Nasrullah Khan.

Former president Ghulam Ishaq Khan, who resigned along with Shari in July under an army-mediated agreement for new general elections, was also said to be seeking PPP's support to stand in the presidential contest.

## Ex-Biman pilot Taher dead

By Staff Correspondent

Captain A. Taher, former Director, Flight Operations of Bangladesh Biman died of a cardiac arrest at the Bashundhara clinic at around 11:30 pm last night. He was 60.

His body was taken to his 6/1, Block-D, Lalmitia residence.

He is survived by his wife, two sons and two daughters. One of his sons, Captain Manzur, is also a Biman pilot.

His namaz-e-janaza will be held today after Zohr prayers at Lalmitia mosque.

## Nirmul

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festival' from December 1 to 16.

During the festival, cultural functions, rallies and processions would be arranged in line with the Spirit of the Liberation War.

The rally at the Bangabandhu Avenue was addressed, among others, by Abdul Razzak, MP of the Awami League, Nurul Islam Nahid of the Gano Forum, Kazi Aref Ahmed of his faction of the JSD, Abdullah Sarker of BSD (K) and other committee leaders Syed Hasan Imam, Shahrier Kabir, Aminul Haq Montu, Moinuddin Khan Badal and Saiful Islam.

Addressing the rally, Abdul Razzak said democracy would not be safe unless the Jamaat-Shibir communal forces were barred from politics.

The AL leader accused the government of attempting to foil the peaceful observance of yesterday's hartal in an 'autocratic' manner and warned that the people would not tolerate any autocratic behaviour.

Nurul Islam Nahid said that the killers and collaborators of 1971 must be resisted for the sake of democracy, humanity and national development.

Kazi Aref Ahmed called upon the government to fulfil the Samannaya Committee's demands by December 16 or face bigger action programmes.

Meanwhile, the Samannaya Committee, in a statement last night, thanked the people for observing yesterday's half-day hartal demanding Golam Azim's trial as a 'war criminal'. The people had once again justified the four-point demand of the committee by making the hartal a success, it said.

Programmes, bigger than hartals, would be announced if the demands were not met, the committee warned.

The statement signed by Prof. Abdul Mannan Chowdhury, condemned police action at places of the city and demanded release of all those arrested during yesterday's hartal.

## Situation normal

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Rail services, water transport and scheduled Biman flights functioned as usual.

Production was also normal in the enterprises of the Bangladesh Chemical Industries Corporation, the Bangladesh Steel and Engineering Corporation, the Bangladesh Sugar and Food Industries Corporation, the Bangladesh Small and Cottage Industries Corporation under the Ministry of Industries.

In the port city of Chittagong, the handout claimed, all the large industrial establishments functioned normally. Rail communications were undisturbed and activities in the Chittagong port were normal.

In Khulna, rail communications and operations in the Mongla port were normal. So was the situation in Rajshahi, where all the small and large industrial workshops functioned normally.

In government offices, the percentage of attendance was registered normally.

## JU to strictly enforce dormitory rules

By JU Correspondent

The Jahangirnagar University Syndicate has resolved to effectively enforce its rules and regulations for resident students.

According to the Syndicate decisions, the gates of the men's dormitories would close at 11 pm while the women's at six in the evening.

Police would be posted at the dormitory gates after the closing hours. The law enforcing agencies would have to consult with the concerned hall provosts or officials before carrying out any action inside the halls.

The Syndicate also clamped a ban on political processions in the residential areas and in the academic buildings. Students would also be expected to refrain from any cultural activities which might run beyond the normal time of keeping dormitory gates open.

## PM: Community

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Begum Zia said "We guarantee equal rights to every community, and group as Bangladeshis. We do not belittle anyone on any ground." She called upon the oilmen to organise themselves to advance their community as well as the country.

Welcoming the members of the oilmen's community to the BNP, the Prime Minister hoped that they would strengthen the hands of nationalist forces by organising themselves properly and working relentlessly for the uplift of the downtrodden.

She called for adopting modern technology as the means of production to keep in pace with the fast changing, high technology based system of production world over.

The Prime Minister said "We have to raise our production to reduce the nation's dependence on imported goods, specially the essentials."

Begum Zia said democracy had been established in the country and all professional groups should put in their best efforts to derive optimum benefit from the system by increasing production.

The function was also addressed by leaders of the oilmen's community who came from different parts of the country and State Minister for Land Kabir Hossain and Deputy Minister for LGRD and cooperatives Abdul Hye.

## DMCSU election Nov 25

By DMCH Correspondent

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## Hazratbal Mosque crisis

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"Now for the US or any other country to challenge the accession (of Kashmir) is sheer mischief," said the Communist Party of India, some 30 members of which held a noisy protest outside the American centre here.

In Madras, southern India, some 100 BJP activists demonstrated outside the US consulate shouting slogans, including "hands off Kashmir," the Press Trust of India (PTI) reported.

The Indian concern and regret over the statement, seen here as a pro-Pakistan tilt on Kashmir, was conveyed to US Charge d'Affaires Kenneth Brill, who was summoned by the Foreign Ministry here Friday, official sources said.

The United States was asked to clarify whether it was questioning India's territorial integrity by disputing Kashmir's 1947 accession which came with the subcontinent's independence from British rule.

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AL presidium member Abdul Razzak, MP, addressing a post-hartal public meeting of the Nirmul Samannaya Committee at the Bangabandhu Avenue in the city yesterday. — Star photo

**বাংলাদেশ তার ও টেলিফোন বোর্ড**

**একটি বিশেষ বিজ্ঞপ্তি**

**টেলিফোনের ক্রেটি সারানোর নতুন ব্যবস্থা**

০ রাজধানী ঢাকা ও নারায়ণগঞ্জের সম্মানিত টেলিফোন গ্রাহকবৃন্দকে উন্নত সেবা প্রদানের লক্ষ্যে টিএসটি বোর্ড স্বল্প সময়ে টেলিফোনের ক্রেটি সারানোর জন্য নতুন ব্যবস্থা গ্রহণ করেছেন - যা গ্রাহকদের অবপতির জন্য জানানো হ'ল।

০ আপনার টেলিফোনে ক্রেটি সেবা দিলে অভিযোগের জন্য প্রচলিত '১৮' পঞ্জিনে অথবা নিকটস্থ ক্যাম্প অফিসে অভিযোগ করে একটি অভিযোগ নম্বর ও তারিখ সহগ্রহণ করুন। একই ক্রেটির জন্য '১৮' অথবা ক্যাম্প অফিসের নামসহ অভিযোগ নাও তারিখ উল্লেখপূর্বক পরবর্তী অভিযোগ করা না হলে ক্রেটি সারানো ক্রিয়াকর্ম স্থগিত থাকবে।

০ '১৮' বা ক্যাম্প অফিসে অভিযোগ করার ২৪ ঘণ্টার মধ্যে টেলিফোনটি ক্রেটিমুক্ত না হলে আপনি আপনার এলাকার সর্ভেত্র সহকারী প্রকৌশলী/সহকারী বিভাগীয় প্রকৌশলী অথবা বিভাগীয় প্রকৌশলীকে জানাবেন।

০ এক্সচেঞ্জগারী সর্ভেত্র প্রকৌশলীদের টেলিফোন নম্বর নিম্নে দেয়া হ'লঃ

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০ অনেক ক্ষেত্রে বড় ধরনের ক্রেটির দরুন ২৪ ঘণ্টার মধ্যে আপনার ফোন চালু নাও হতে পারে। সে ক্ষেত্রে আপনাকে জানিয়ে দেয়া হবে।

০ সর্ভেত্র বিভাগীয় প্রকৌশলীর নিকট অভিযোগের ৪৮ ঘণ্টার মধ্যে যদি টেলিফোনটি সচল না হয় তা হলে বাংলাদেশ তার ও টেলিফোন বোর্ডের সদর দপ্তর কর্তৃক বিশেষ দায়িত্বপ্রাপ্ত সহকারী বিভাগীয় প্রকৌশলী (ক্রেটি নিয়ন্ত্রণ) আসামুজ্জামান চৌধুরীর ৪১৫৫৪৪ ফোন নম্বরে যোগাযোগ করতে পারবেন।

০ অভিযোগ করার ৭২ ঘণ্টার মধ্যে যদি উল্লিখিত বোর্ড কর্তৃকও ক্রেটি সারানো না গারেন্ডে তবে ডাক ও টেলিযোগাযোগ মন্ত্রণালয়ের পরিচালক (তার)-এর ২৪১৫৩২ টেলিফোনে আপনার অভিযোগ নম্বর ও তারিখসহ যোগাযোগ করতে পারবেন।

০ ৭ দিনের মধ্যে ক্রেটিমুক্ত টেলিফোন সচল না হলে গ্রাহকস্বয়ং ডাক ও টেলিযোগাযোগ মন্ত্রীর একত্র সচিবের কাছে ২৪৫২০১ টেলিফোন নম্বরে রিপোর্ট করতে পারবেন।

০ উপস্থাপিত ব্যবস্থা হ্রাসও সকল এক্সচেঞ্জের বিভাগীয় প্রকৌশলী একত্ররনাল প্রতি রবিবার বেঁচে বুধবার এবং বিভাগীয় প্রকৌশলী ইন্টারনাল প্রতি বুধবার এবং শুক্রবার ও শনিবার সকাল ৮টা থেকে ১১টা পর্যন্ত গ্রাহকদের অভিযোগ সমাধানের জন্য নিম্ন নিম্ন নম্বরে উপস্থিত থাকবেন।

০ উল্লিখিত ব্যবস্থার টেলিফোনের ক্রেটি নিয়ন্ত্রণকে সম্মানিত টেলিফোন গ্রাহকবৃন্দের সহযোগিতা কামনা করা যাচ্ছে।

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