

China's missile exercise

Taiwanese besiege banks, gold shops to stock up on safe currencies

TAIPEI, Mar 8: Taiwan residents besieged banks and gold shops Thursday to stock up on safe currencies and precious metals ahead of China's missile exercises intended to worry the nationalist island, reports AFP.

press said two Citibank branches imposed a 1,000 US-dollar exchange limit for clients and that those with an account were refused greenbacks.

Cabinet okays record budget for '96-97

budget for 1996/97 on Thursday and set aside a hefty special fund to buy fighter jets as tensions with China intensify.

US dollars), of which T 58.2 billion (2.1 billion US dollars) is earmarked for fighter jets and T 108 billion (3.9 billion US dollars) for communications construction projects.

ICFTU report to mark Women's Day

Women prime victims of economic globalisation

BRUSSELS, Mar 8: Women are prime victims of globalisation of the economy and the increased competition it has spawned to the detriment of workers' rights, the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions (ICFTU) said today, reports AFP.

timers. Feminisation of poverty was increasingly evident, with women accounting for 70 per cent of the 1.25 billion people living in poverty.

Whether it is the growing body of women in Africa who now sell soap in markets because their jobs as teachers were axed, women from eastern Europe selling themselves on the streets of Western Europe, women forced to take contraceptive pills in factories of the free trade zones in Latin America, or trained chemists from the Philippines working as servants in Hong Kong, the story is the same," it said.

Such export processing zones are "major growth areas for women workers, who constitute 80 per cent of the workforce in the zones in Central America and South and Southeast Asia," it said.

WTO gives clean bill of health to Czech

GENEVA, Mar 8: The World Trade Organisation gave a clean bill of health Thursday to the Czech Republic, praising its "liberal and transparent" export and import policies, according to AP.



French Ambassador Renee Veyret (Centre) called on Ali Hossain (2nd from right), President of Dhaka Chamber of Commerce and Industry (DCCI), at the DCCI office on Tuesday.

Malaysia, Vietnam put trade in forefront

HANOI, Mar 8: Kuala Lumpur and Hanoi put politics on the backburner and trade to the fore on Thursday as Malaysia's Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad began a three-day visit, says Reuter.

lion dollar in commitments is seventh in the table of foreign investors in Vietnam, has benefited from decades of formal ties with its Southeast Asian neighbour.

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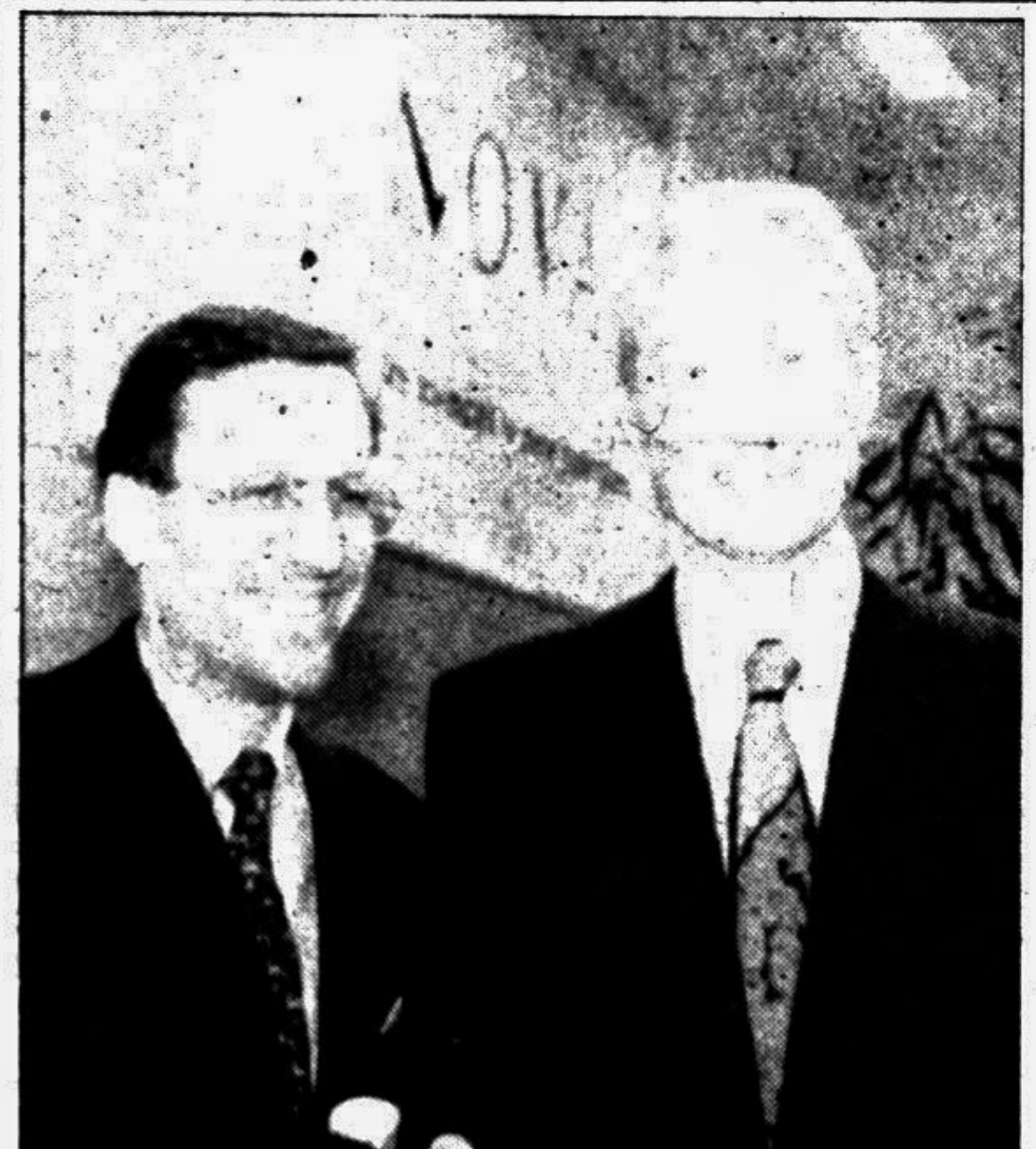
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KL wants top post in INRO

KUALA LUMPUR, Mar 8: Malaysia will not ratify the third International Natural Rubber Agreement if it does not get the executive director's post in the International Natural Rubber Organisation, Primary Industries Minister Lim Keng Yaik said Thursday, says AP.

Unemployment one of toughest problems in Western Europe

UNDATED, Mar 8: Unemployment is one of the toughest problems in Western Europe but most countries have generous support systems, reports AP.



Sandoz AG Chairman Daniel Vasella (L) and Ciba-Geigy head Alex Krauer shake hands in front of the new company logo 'Novartis' after the two Swiss pharmaceutical giants announced their intention to merge in Basel, Switzerland on Wednesday.

Shipping Intelligence

Table with columns: Berth No, Name of vessels, Cargo, L. Post call, Local agent, Date of arrival, Leaving. Includes sub-tables for CHITTAGONG PORT, VESSELS DUE AT OUTER ANCHORAGE, TANKER DUE, VESSELS AT KUTUBDIA, VESSELS AT OUTER ANCHORAGE, READY ON, and VESSELS AWAITING INSTRUCTION.

Advertisement for Bangladesh Railway West Zone Engineering Department, Corrigendum to Tender Notice No. Eng/BG/Sleeper/95-96/4, dated 05-3-96.

Advertisement for Bangladesh Railway West Zone Engineering Department, Corrigendum to Tender Notice No. Eng/BG/Sleeper/95-96/3, dated 07-2-96.

Advertisement for Bangladesh Railway West Zone Engineering Department, Corrigendum to Tender Notice No. Eng/BG/Sleeper/95-96/2, dated 23-12-95.

Advertisement for Bangladesh Railway West Zone Engineering Department, Corrigendum to Tender Notice No. Eng/BG/Sleeper/95-96/1, dated 05-3-96.