State attorney gen to stay firm in bid to split Microsoft

two, reports AP. this week contesting much of said the company should be the breakup order, the state law able to reply to its proposal enforcement officials say they before its Oct. 10 deadline too. are as determined as at the

Microsoft's filing Monday decision to break up the com- March.

Bangladesh Power

Development Board

দেশপ্রেমে উত্তন হউন

বিদ্যুতের অবৈধ সংযোগ বন্ধ করুন

Tender Notice

office furniture for Mohalchhari

Electric Supply 2) Supply of

office furniture for Dighinala

Electric Supply under the office

of Khagrachhari Distribution

Division. Eligibility of contractors:

Development Board. Estimated

38,300/- taka only. Cost of

tender: Each set 1) Taka 35/- 2)

Taka 35/- (non-refundable. Place

of availability of tender and date:

Office of the Chief Engineer

Distribution, Southern Zone,

PDB, Agrabad, Chittagong/office

of the Superintending Engineer.

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Tenders can be purchased till

10.10.2000. Date of receiving

and opening tender: In the

above-mentioned offices (except

bank), the office of the

undersigned on 11.10.2000 at

12-00 noon and tenders will be

opened the same day at 12-30

PM before the tenderers present

(if any one remains present).

Other terms and conditions and

all rules and regulations as

mentioned in the schedule will

Executive Engineer

Distribution Division-

Khagrachhari

PDB, Khagrachhari,

Hill District.

No-MOYS/Youth-2/Train-3 (11)/Appointment/2000-263

Deputy Coordinator 6150- 11

Rules and regulations for sending applications:

The authority reserves the power to reject any application.

Departmental candidates must apply through proper channel.

Incomplete application or application received late will not be acceptable.

Biddyut/Jano-588(3)/2000-2001

Name of post

225X16-9750/-

DFP-23564-28/9

have to be followed properly.

and

expenditure: 1) 38,300/-

supplier

Maintenance

Rangamati/

Bank,

Power

Enlisted bonafide

establishment

Name of work: 1) Supply of

matter what happens to the partment threw down the University said his research has Microsoft antitrust case in a gauntlet and took the rare step found no instance in which an future presidential administra- of filing its proposed schedule incoming administration has tion, the state attorney general two days before it was due. abandoned a case as large as say they will stand firm in their That proposal recommends a attempt to break Microsoft in much faster schedule and shorter court briefs than Micro-Reacting to Microsoft's filing soft wants. The government

There has been some start of their two-year effort to speculation by government offiend what they call a monopoly cials and analysts that Microby the world's largest software soft is trying to delay the breakup until the fast-paced The states are committed to computer market changes in litigate this to conclusion." their favour or a Republican Connecticut Attorney General administration takes over. The Richard Blumenthal said Tues- Republican nominee. Texas Gov day. "We're in for the long George W Bush, has been supportive of Microsoft in the past.

The government's schedule asked the US Court of Appeals would set oral arguments for for the District of Columbia for January, when a new adminia very long schedule and called stration takes over, Microsoft's into question 19 separate facets proposal would extend the filing of the US District Court's June of court papers at least into

On Tuesday, the Justice De- Kovacic of George Washington at the company's request, his the Microsoft suit, although he said Bush probably would be willing to settle on terms more favorable to Microsoft.

Kovacic also criticised Microsoft's tactics. He said the company is "overreaching" and is liable to wear thin any leeway it might have with the appeals

A spokesman for Iowa Attorney General Thomas Miller agreed with the Connecticut will not back down.

"The states will pursue it," Miller's spokesman Bob Bramer, said. "We are full partners and have full status as will continue the case.

Justice Department noted that US District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson has stayed not allow for a prompt and efficient

restrictions on company conduct before the breakup is complete. Given the stay, "it is essential for effective antitrust law enforcement in a critical sector of the nation's economy that the appeal be concluded expeditiously," the antitrust division told the appeals court.

Of the company's request for vastly expanded page limits, the department said. There is no justification for this extraordinary request. This is an appeal. not a retrial. ... (The) legal issues do not differ significantly in complexity or scope from attorney general that the states those presented in any civil antitrust case."

The company had argued that extended time and extra pages were needed because of the complexity of the case. In a plaintiffs in the case, and we statement responding to the Justice Department filing, Mi-In its proposal Tuesday, the crosoft said Tuesday the company has "suggested a schedule and briefing length that will Antitrust expert William E only his breakup order but also, process to consider the appeal."

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This file picture taken December 20, 1999 of the French stock exchange authority COB (Commission des Operations de Bourse) building in Paris. Two former COB employees were in police custody Tuesday in connection with an investigation into insider trading by staff at the market - AFP photo watchdog, said a source close to the case.

ROK banks still hold huge bad loans Reforms lag far behind

SEOUL, Oct 4: South Ko- forced to inject another 50 tril-

As a result their average bad loan ratio fell 1.7 percentage points to 13.6 per cent, it said. The bad loan data followed an FSC report that most major banks were far behind schedule in carrying out reform measures they have pledged in return for billions of dollars of

South Korea has already spent 109.6 trillion won of public funds to prop up the financial system since 1997.

But the government was

rean financial institutions re- lion won into the restructuring of ailing banks. An evaluation of the banks' books will be completed by the end of Octo-

At the end of June. 17 commercial banks posted 43.31 trillion won in bad loans, down 8.6 per cent from the end of March, with their average bad loan ratio down 1.6 percentage points to 12.4 per cent.

Their net bad loans not covered by provisions totaled 31.4 trillion won during the same period, down 12.3 per cent from end March.

The fall in bad loans reflects the sale of bad assets through asset-backed securities, writesoffs and the collection of some

main heavily burdened with huge bad loans, despite some improvement between March and June this year, government ber. data showed today, says AFP.

At the end of June, the country's 1,653 financial institutions had 82.5 trillion won (74 billion dollars) in bad loans, down 8.7 per cent from a quarter earlier, the Financial Supervisory Commission (FSC)

public funds.

of the problem loans, the FSC Korea First Bank's bad loans stood at 3.74 trillion won,

Housing and Commercial Bank at 3.08 trillion won, and Seoulbank at 2.84 trillion won.

Japan's electronics giant Matsushita Electric employee Yukiko Abe yesterday displays the

company's latest mobile phone with the Bluetooth attachment on its bottom (R) and the Bluetooth PCMCIA card which enables wireless comunication between the PC and mobile phone within 100 meters during the CEATEC, Japan's largest electronics and communication trade show at Makuhari, suburban Tokyo. - AFP photo

BCIC **Tender Notice**

বিসিআইসি'র পণ্য শিল্পায়নে জাতীয় অগ্রণতির প্রতীক

Managing Director, Urea Fertilizer Factory Ltd. Ghorasal, Narsingdi invites two envelope system sealed quotations from the bonafide manufacturers/suppliers/ stockists/trading firms for supply of 6,250 kg 10/3 ply Jute Twine against local Tender Enquiry No ESAKA/KROY-1.002/2000-2001/124 dated 23.9.2000. The tender shall be opened on 16.10.2000 at 11.00 AM at Urea Fertilizer Factory Ltd., Ghorasal and BCIC Purchase Division, BCIC. 30-31, Dilkusha C/A, Dhaka simultaneously. Tender documents shall be available on payment of Tk 100.00 (Taka one hundred) only (non-refundable) per set from the (i) Controller of Accounts, BCIC, BCIC Bhaban, 30-31. Dilkusha C/A, Dhaka, (ii) BCIC Branch Office, 6, Agrabad C/A, Ctg and (iii) General Manager (A&F), UFFL, Ghorasal, Narsingdi. No tender documents shall be sold on the date of opening.

Educational qualification and experience

Should have three years practical experience with

Veterinary Medicine/Fisheries from any recognized

university or the candidates with educational qualification

mentioned and 3 years practical experience as a senior

instructor in a project under this directorate will be given

BCIC-867-27/9/2000 DFP-23693-01/10

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

Ministry of Youth & Sports

(Youth-2 Section)

Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka

Employment Notice

purely temporary basis under a project titled "Development of Existing Centres and Completion of Unfinished Work.

Including setting up of Eleven New Youth Training Centres of the Youth Development Directorate". Educational

qualifications for the posts and other information including experience are mentioned below

Applications are invited from Bangladeshi citizens for appointment of candidates to the undermentioned posts on

Applications in plain paper by mentioning the name of the candidate, father's/husband's name, permanent and present address, date of birth, age (30-9-2000), educational qualification, nationality, experience etc must be sent by October 31, 2000 to the

Senior Assistant Secretary (Youth-2), Ministry of Youth & Sports, Bhaban No-7, Room No-724, Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka-

Attested copies of certificates of all educational qualification and experience and 3 (three) copies of recent passport size attested

photographs, certificates for nationality and citizenship and character certificate issued by class I official will have to be

Examination fees, for an amount of Taka 50/- (fifty) will have to be deposited in the code number 1-3640-5130-2031 through a

treasury challan in favour of the 'Secretary, Ministry of Youth and Sports' will have to be given with application and the original

Candidates will have to mention the name of the post applied for and the name of the native district separately on the envelope

for sending application an envelope with respective address alongwith the postal stamp of Taka 2/- will have to be enclosed with

As the posts mentioned are of the project, these are purely temporary and the duration of the posts depend on the existence of

receipt of challan will have to be deposited with the application. Postal order/bank draft will not be acceptable.

G-1736

Date: 10-6-1407/25-9-2000

Fed leaves rates unchanged amid worry over energy

the first time this year, the Federal Reserve's top policymaking group is raising concerns that higher energy prices could spark inflation dangers down the road, reports AP.

Committee, composed of Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan and his colleagues, did not act on that fear Tuesday in opting to leave interest rates unchanged for the third meeting in a row.

But worries about the possible effect of rising energy costs on the nation's economy were mentioned by the Fed as it left

increases in the future. had only a "limited effect" on rate increases disappointed underlying price pressures so Wall Street investors. But far, the Fed said. But it warned economists through it made that higher energy costs pose sense. the risk of "raising inflation

WASHINGTON, Oct 4: For expectations" in coming months.

The Fed, according to David Orr, chief economist for First Union, is worried that the rise in energy prices "has continued for so long and climbed to such The Federal Open Market high levels that both workers and companies will stop viewing it as temporary."

Orr said the Fed is concerned that fears of rising inflation would lead workers to demand higher wages and companies would boost prices both could worsen inflation.

the door open to further rate concerns about higher energy prices and didn't sound a defi-Soaring crude oil costs have nite all-clear in terms of future

"The end game on oil and energy costs.

inflation and its impact on the US economy will not be over until we get through the winter," said Allen Sinai, chief global economist at Primark Decision Economics in New York. "There are too many wild cards on the energy side. Still, many analysts con-

tinue to believe that the Fed will stay on the sidelines for the rest of the year, provided energy costs don't spiral out of Crude oil for November de-

to protect profit margins, and livery is now hovering at the dlrs 32-a-barrel mark, but The fact that the Fed raised reached a 10-year high last month when it climbed above \$37 a barrel.

> But the Fed repeated its observation that labour markets remained exceptionally tight. something that also poses an inflation risk along with rising

DESA Local Re-Tender Notice

নিয়মিত বিদ্যুৎ বিল পরিশোধ করুন সন্ধ্যা বেলায় বিদ্যুৎ ব্যবহার ব্রাস করুন

Memo, No. PS-2/Pro-2/424

Dated: 27-9-2000 Dhaka Electric Supply Authority invites bids for different electrical materials against the following tender

135, Gulshan, Dhaka.

Abdul Ghani Road, Dhaka.

opening date

(North), Dhaka Electric Supply Authority, House

Project Director, Greater Dhaka Power

Distribution Project, House No-47, Road No.

Secretary, Dhaka Electric Supply Authority, 1

No. 73, Road No. 5/A, Dhanmondi, Dhaka.

Reputed manufacturers/their representatives are eligible to participate in this tender Tender enquiry Materials Cost of tender Last date for Tender subbuying tender number mission/ document

424/O&M/LT Cable 95mm² LT PVC 14/11/2000 16/11/2000 Tk 5000/-

document

Tender documents will be available for inspection and purchase (through application) during normal office second class Honours degree in Animal Husbandry/ hours in any of the following offices: Divisional Commissioner, Dhaka-Division, 1st 12 b) General Manager, Consumer's Services

- storied Govt. Building, Segunbagicha, Dhaka
- General Manager, Consumer's Services d) (South), Dhaka Electric Supply Authority, 12/1/A, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka
- Director, Procurement & Store Management Dte., Dhaka Electric Supply Authority, 1, Abdul Ghani Road, Dhaka-1000

The cost of tender documents (non-refundable) shall be paid through Pay Order/Demand Draft issued by any scheduled local bank favouring Director, Finance & Accounts, DESA. Tender document shall be obtained personally and DESA will not take any responsibility for sending tender documents to any body.

Tenders shall be received in the abovementioned offices on the specified date upto 11.30 hrs (BST) and tenders received will be opened publicly on the same day at 2.30 hrs. (BST) in the Office of the undersigned. Late tenders, if any, shall summarily be rejected.

DESA reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids at any stage without assigning any reason thereof.

DFP-23732-01/10 G-1735

Director Procurement & Stores, DESA

Exchange Rates

54.15.

Following are yesterday's Standard Chartered Bank rates of major currencies against taka: Central bank buying and selling rate of USD: BDT 53.85/BDT

Selling		Currer	Currency			Buying			
TT/OD	BC		Т	T Clean	OD Sight Dox		OD nsfer		
54.2500	54.2800	USD) !	53.8150	53.6464	53.	5779		
48.1159	48.2028	EUF	1	46.3425	46.1592	46.	0826		
79.7652	79.8072	GBF		779589	776924	77	6378		
30.2594	30.2839	AUC) ;	27.2597	27.1672	27	0871		
0.5059	0.5060	JPY		0.4880	0.4878	0.4	4868		
31.5697	31.5942	CHF		30.8630	30.7684	30	6839		
5.5683	5.5734	SEK	(5.4728	5.4551		4392		
36.3484	36.3730	CAL		35.4849	35.3913	35	.3081		
6.9954	6.9967	HKI)	6.8714	6.8537	6.	8363		
31.350	31.5509	SGI		30.3860	30.3422	30	2275		
14,8919	14.9095	AEC)	14.5023	14.5242	14	4838		
14.5799	14.5983	SAF	1	14.2402	14.2035	14	1853		
		U	sance exp	port bills					
TTDOC	30 Days	60Da	ys	90 Days	120 Day	ys 180 Days			
53.7041	53.3727	52.93		52.4217	51.8688	Married Marrie	.6303		
	Exchange	rates of so	me Asian	currencles ag	ainst US do	llar			
Indian	Pak	Tha		Mal	Indo.		NZ		
Rupee	Rupee	Bah	1	Ringit	Rupiah	0	Dollar		
45.98/	59.00/	42.5	21	3.7995/	8760/	CONTRACTOR OF THE PERSON NAMED IN	4002/		
46.08	59/20	42/5	6	3/8005	8790	0	0/4012		
	US Dollar				L	JBOR			
	Buying	Selling	Months	1	2	6	12		
Cash note	53.6150	54.2800	USD	6.62	6.8025	6.75	6.77063		
TC	53.5650	54.2600	GBP	6.07906	6.17594	6.26875	6.37		

Shipping Intelligence

Chittagong port Berth position and performance of vessels as on 4.10.2000

Berth No	Name of vessels	Cargo	L Port	Local agent	Date of arrival	Leaving
J/1	Shun Cheng	GI(S. Ash)	Lian	Concord	22/9	7/10
J/2	Anje Jiang	GI	Hinch	BDShip	23/9	7/10
J/3	Topaz	GI	Sing	Prog	23/9	6/10
J/4	Bay Pride	Rice(P)/GI	Yang	SMSL	16/09	6/10
J/5	Bao Yun Shan (48)	GI(STC)	Yang	RML	26/09	4/10
J/6	Argus	R Seed	-	Royal	11/9	7/10
J/7	World Amber	Wheat(P)	Sing	ELIC	24/8	15/10
J/8	Erodios	Sugar(G)	Sant	Fortune	16/9	7/10
J/9	Al Bauraq	Gypsum	Peng	Seacom	4/9	7/10
J/10	Aptmariner	GI(Maize)	Dali	Seaglory	8/9	4/10
J/11	OSG Alpha	Cong	Sing	RSL	24/9	4/10
J/12	Jaami	Cont	Sing	Cross	27/9	4/10
J/13	Pavonis	GI(St.C)	Pipa	SMSL	13/9	4/10
CCT/1	Xpress Resolve	Cont	Sing	RSL	03/10	6/10
CCT/2	Kota Singa	Cont	Sing	Píl(Bd)	29/9	5/10
RM/15	North Star-II	Cement	-	SBS	R/A	7/10
TSP	Natcha Naree	RSulp	BAbb	Seacom	1/10	10/10
RM/4	Clipper Venture	CDSO	Bahi	RSA	28/9	6/10
DD	Banglar Shikha	Repair	Sing	Bsc	20/9	10/10
DDJ/1	Banglar Jyoti	Repair	-	Bsc	R/A	6/10
RM/9	Banglar Shourabh		-	Bsc	R/A	6/10
CUFLJ	Mary Nour	Cement	Lank	BSL	27/9	10/10

RM/9 CUFLJ	Banglar Shourabh Mary Nour	Repair	La	nk BSL	R/A 27/9	6/10
		ls due a	t outer	anchorag	ge	
Name of	vessels	Cargo	L.Port call	Local agent		Date of arrival
Boxer Ca	apt Cook (Cont)	5/10	P Kei	BDSHIP	Cont	Sing
Min Jiar	ng	4/10	SHai	BDSHIP	GI (ST Cargo)	-
Banding	Ace (72)3/10	9/10	-	Everett	Steel+GI	4-
Lucky E	mblem(72)17/9	5/10	Ynag	Everett	GI(St Cargo)	1 -
Banga B	iraj (Cont) 21/9	5/10	PKeI	BDShip	Cont	Sing
Banglar	Robi (Cont) 24/9	5/10	Sing	BSC	Cont	Sing
Asian Sa	affron	6/10	Yang	Everett	GI(St Coil)	-
Ganda S	Satria	7/10	Indo	Delmuri	TSP	-
Joy Mira	cle (72)17/9	9/10	Jaka	SSLL	GI(St Prod)	-
Arabella	(Cont) 28/9	9/10	Sing	QCSL	Cont	Sing
	haya (Cont) 26/9	7/10	Sing	Pil (BD)	Cont	Sing
Jurong 1	Balsam (Cont) 1/10	7/10	Sing	Nol .	Cont	Sing
Leopard		7/10	-	SBS	C Clink(Hyun	
Kota Na	ga (Cont) 27/09	8/10	Sing	Pil (Bd)	Cont	Sing
	ail (Cont)27/9	8/10	-	QCSL	Cont	Sing
Tug De I		8/10	SHai	OWSL	-	9-
	sible Barge:Zhong	8/10	S Hai	OWSL	-	-3-
	ndependence (Cont)	9/10	7	BDShip	Cont	Sing
Pioneer		8/10	Nikola	Litmond	Cont	Sing
	Buoy(Cont) 1/10	10/10	5.	BDShip	GI	3 -
Hpaan		10/10	Yang	MTA	Rice(P)	La -
Yasmina		15/10	OKHA	SMSL	Cont	Sing
	(Cont) 2/10	12/10	Sing	QCSL	Cont	Sing
Pathein		13/10	Yang	MTA	Rice(P)	1
Kota Be	rjaya (Cont) 1/10	13/10	Sing	Pil (BD)	Cont	Sing
		Tar	iker di	ie		3

Al Badiyah Pioneer Spirit Eminence Fortune Sea	5/10 5/10 4/10 6/10	Kara Sing Juba Jebe	EOSL ECSL ECSL Unique	LBO HSD	1
	Vessels	at Kutul	bdia		
Name of vessels	Cargo	Las call		ocal	Dateo
Energy Explorer-IV	-			BBAL	5/
Ismaya	-		E	BAL	17/
Dea Champion	-	Sin	g A	rafeen	R/A(24/9
Recal Eastern	-	Sin	g E	BBAL	28/

Sea Bulk Command

Dea Conqueror

Sea Bulk Danah

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R/A (27/9)

R/A (2/10)

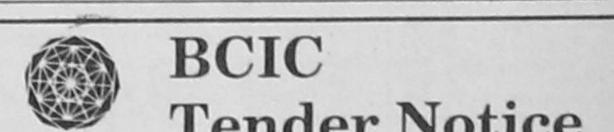
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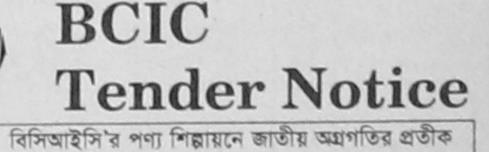
Dea Captain Vessels at outer anchorage Ready on 20/9 SMSL Bay Fortune GI/Rice (P) SMSL 28/9 Ocean-1 2/110 GI (St Prod) Alas (18) 4/10 OSG Argosy Average Cont 3/10 Xpress Padma (Cont) 3/10 Chu Hong(Cont) Cont Banglar Moni(Cont) Cont 4/10 Banga Birol(Cont)

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Banglar Urmi	-	-	BSC	R/A (20/9)
Banglar Gourab		-	BSC	R/A(2/10)
	Vessels not	entering		7
Linghai-18	GI(Maizee)	Ying	Bsl	21/9
Mallika Naree	Tsp(P)	Durb	BSL	17/9
Sea Destiny	MOP(P)	Ikol	Litmond	25/9
Alletgro	Scraping		RML	15/9
Westwind	Scraping	Tuti	UMIL	28/9
Accord	Cement	-	Viking	05/
Revenge			Sunshine	R/A(9/10)
Xing Ye	Rice(G)		MBCSL	R/A(20/6)
Karya Sentosa	Rice(G)	-	USTC	R/A(9/8)
Gnne	Scraping	Setu	ARL	2/10
Tug Solano	-	Setu	ARL	2/10

Shifting Outgoing Incoming J/1 Shun Cheng to J/9 CCT/2 BRobi CCT/2 K Singa J/9 Bay Fortune to J/1 GSJ Hyderabad DOJ Torm Lily The above are shipping position and performance of vessels of

Chittagong Port as per berthing sheet of CPA supplied by HRC Group.





Managing Director, Chhatak Cement Co Ltd, Chhatak, Sunamganj, invites sealed quotation from genuine manufacturers, importers & suppliers for supply of Rubber Conveyor Belt and Cotton Air Slide Canvas against Tender No Pur-A/128/2000-2001. Tender will be opened on 23-10-2000 at 3-00 PM at Purchase Division, BCIC Head Office, Dhaka & Purchase Section, Chhatak Cement Co Ltd. Tender documents will be available against cash payment of Tk 400/= only from 1) BCIC Head Office, 30-31, Dilkusha C/A, Dhaka 2) BCIC branch office, 6, Agrabad C/A, Chittagong & 3) Chhatak Cement Co Ltd, Chhatak. No Tender documents will be sold on

opening day. BCIC-869-27/9/2000

G-1738 DFP-23695-01/10

All quotas will be reserved properly as per government regulation. DFP-23593-28/9 G-1743

the project.

the application.

Md Mosharraf Hossain Senior Assistant Secretary