



American-Pakistani athlete Sarah Kureshi, 26, sets her scarf as she poses in Tehran. Kureshi will be the first woman athlete to represent the US during the fourth all-women games in Iran, although photographers will not be allowed to record the event which runs from September. Kureshi will race in the 800 and 1500 metres.



Cyclists try out a newly designated special lane for bicycles in Manila. The bicycle lanes are being created in Manila as one of the measures to conserve energy in the face of the rising international price of crude oil.



A Doraemon shaped hot-air-balloon (C) and five others glow as they are filled up with hot air during a night-time display in Tokyo. Organiser of the 2005 Saga International Balloon Festa hold the three-day event to promote the hot-air-balloon competition between 02 and 06 November this year.



One of the world's top Chefs, Alain Ducasse at his restaurant "Spoon" in a top hotel in Hong Kong. Ducasse, whose SPOON bistro empire extends to Hong Kong, also runs two French restaurants and a Mediterranean eatery in Tokyo.