

# Unified Korea proposed at UN meeting

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UNITED NATIONS — North Korea proposed yesterday the creation of a neutral Korean nation in which the socialist north and capitalist south would peacefully co-exist in a confederation.

Meanwhile, South Korean President Roh Tae-woo pledged yesterday to pursue better relations with China, the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe to help free North Korea from its international isolation.

North Korea's deputy foreign minister, Kang Sok Ju, told the 43rd U.N. General Assembly that the new nation his country was proposing would "realize national reunification leaving the two social systems in the North and the South as they are."

"There is no hidden attempt to insinuate 'unification through Communization' and no intention to impose our ideas and system on the other side," Kang said.

South Korea's U.N. Mission did not directly respond to the proposal. It said in a statement, "Our president (Roh Tae-woo) yesterday suggested all those proposals of North and South Korea be discussed at the summit talks between the two parts of Korea."

Speaking before the General Assembly on Tuesday, Roh said that before reunification could occur, mutual trust between the nations must be established.

Roh also proposed the two Koreas meet with United States, Soviet Union, China and Japan to prepare the groundwork for peace and security measures throughout northeast Asia.

In prepared remarks for a speech to the Council on Foreign Relations and the Asia Society, said yesterday in New York, "We do not seek to isolate North Korea. We hope that the improvement and expansion of our relations with socialist countries will stimulate North Korea into opening itself up to the outside world and responding positively to our call for reconciliation and cooperation."

The new Korea, which Kang called

"the Democratic Confederal Republic of Koryo," would have a supreme national assembly with an equal number of representatives from north and south. However, he did not provide details of how two such different social systems might be melded successfully into one nation.

Kang said the proposal was first suggested by North Korea's President Kim Il Sung in 1980 and reiterated last September.

Koryo was one of three nations on the Korean peninsula 600 years ago.

The passenger manifest said the victims included two Japanese, three Germans and an industrialist from Bahrain. The United News of India news agency said at least 11 foreigners were aboard but did not identify the other five.

The Fokker Friendship crashed into a 1,400-foot hill near Guwahati airport, about 960 miles east of New Delhi. It was nearing the end of a flight from Silchar, about 112 miles to the southeast.

The plane, made in 1958, reported zero visibility, then lost contact with the Guwahati control tower two minutes before the 8:55 a.m. (11:25 p.m. EDT Tuesday), said C.Das, the top civil administrator for Guwahati district.

All 31 passengers and three crew members were feared dead, he said. The crash site, in a dense forest, could not be reached because of rain.

The government owns Indian Airlines, Vayadoot and Air-India, which operates only on international routes.

On June 19, the pilot of an Indian Airlines jet was trying to lower the landing gear and slid to a stop in New Delhi. None of the passengers were hurt.

The latest edition of *India Today* newsmagazine said the airline neglects maintenance and fails to properly supervise pilots. It quoted an unidentified civil aviation official as saying pilots rarely attend weather briefings.

An Indian Airlines Boeing 737 made a crash-landing in Calcutta in February 1985 after the pilot and co-pilot failed to lower the landing gear.



## Trapped!

A young California gray whale surfaces in a small breathing hole near Barrow, Alaska, on Tuesday. The whale's body nose and eye are apparent as North Slope Borough biologists Geoff Carroll, left and Craig George, right,

take notes while David Weber calls out respirations of the whale. Three whales were trapped in a small area after the Arctic Ocean ice closed in. For the complete story, please see Page 10.

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# Death toll raised to 164 in India crash

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AHMADABAD, India — A Boeing 737 jetliner and another Indian passenger plane crashed in bad weather within two hours of each other yesterday, and authorities said the death toll may be as high as 164.

The Indian Airlines jet was trying to land in heavy fog at the western city of Ahmadabad when it slammed into a tree, hit a power line and crashed. All but five of the 135 people aboard were killed, and three of the survivors were in serious condition with burns and broken bones.

About 1 hour and fifteen minutes later, a 30-year-old Fokker Friendship propeller plane leased by Indian Airlines to the domestic carrier Vayudoot hit the side of a hill in eastern India during a severe rainstorm, and all 34 people aboard were feared dead, officials said.

Indian Airlines Flight 131 was flying from Bombay with 129 passengers and six crewmembers when it crashed at 7:40 a.m. yesterday (10:10 p.m. EDT Tuesday) on its final approach to Ahmadabad airport, about 500 miles southwest of New Delhi.

Federal Aviation Minister Shiv Raj Patil said the death toll of 130 was the worst in the carrier's 26-year history. It was the airline's 16th major accident.

The government-run airline, which flies to 73 airports in India and to nine other countries, has come under fire recently for allegedly failing to maintain pre-flight safety procedures.

The cause of yesterday's crash was not immediately known, but one airline official who spoke on condition of anonymity said the airline suspects a technical malfunction complicated by bad weather.

Patil said he did not rule out sabotage and ordered an investigation

headed by a high court judge.

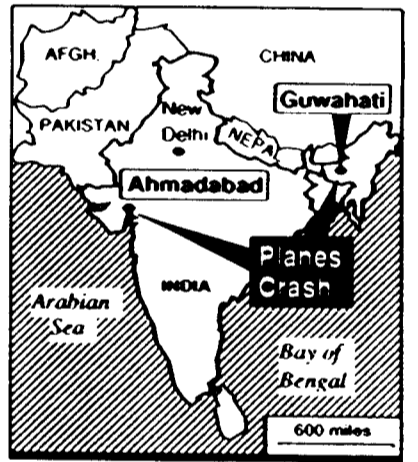
A recording between the pilot and the Ahmadabad control tower gave no indication of trouble. Rescue workers found the flight data and cockpit voice recorders in smoldering wreckage and blood-stained debris.

Survivor Paag Vasavda, 28, said the pilot told passengers he was having trouble landing in the fog. Vasavda said he heard two explosions.

"Afterward, the plane broke apart," said Vasavda, who was thrown from the plane while still strapped in his seat.

Pratap G.Thakore, a farmer whose fields are near the airport, said, "I saw flames coming from the plane while it was in the air. As it was coming down, it hit a tree and then an electricity line and then crashed."

Press Trust of India news agency quoted survivor Vindo Tripathy as saying he ran from the plane after it hit the ground.



"I can, even at the age of 57, run like a hare," Tripathy said. "Death and misery were everywhere."

Tripathy, who later lost consciousness, suffered severe burns and broke both legs and hands.

# Yugoslavian Politburo members resign

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BELGRADE, Yugoslavia — Four Politburo members resigned yesterday rather than face a confidence vote in the Communist Party's Central Committee, which ended its three-day meeting without a crisis solution in sight.

Another member, Dusan Ckrebic from the Serbian republic, offered to quit after losing a confidence vote, the first time that has happened since the Communists took power in 1945.

The nation is torn by ethnic, political and economic problems, but Stipe Suvar, the Communist Party chief, declared, "Yugoslavia will not fall apart." He told a news conference there was "virtual consensus (among the leaders) for profound changes" and insisted the meeting had made "a step forward" in solving its woes.

The Central Committee accepted a proposal

from Suvar to replace one-third of its 165 members over the next six weeks. If this goes ahead, it would be the single biggest sweep through the ruling elite since 1948, when Stalinists were purged after Josip Broz Tito broke with Moscow.

But Yugoslav leaders remained deeply divided, and popular criticism of the hierarchy seemed unlikely to abate.

Ckrebic's defeat in the confidence vote was seen as a blow to Serbian Communist Party leader Slobodan Milosevic, whose insistence on more Serbian control over the autonomous provinces of Vojvodina and Kosovo has deepened Yugoslavia's political and ethnic rifts.

Crkrebic, an oldtime Communist in his 60s, was seen as a Milosevic ally.

Ten of the 23 members of the Presidium, or Politburo, were up for the vote and had been expected to resign. Nine obtained more than the simple majority of 83 required from the full

Central Committee membership of 165, but Ckrebic mustered only 68 votes.

The resignations of another four members — Kolj Siroka, Bosko Krunic, Milanko Renovica and Franc Setinc — were unanimously accepted by the Central Committee. Nine, including Milosevic, were exempt because they hold seats as party chiefs of Yugoslavia's six republics, two provinces and the armed forces.

"Please accept immediately my resignation," Ckrebic said after losing the confidence vote in a secret ballot.

Milosevic demanded that Ckrebic's offer not be considered immediately and Suvar later told reporters the resignation will be discussed at a regular meeting of the Presidium in 10 days.

The economic problems have led to increasing strikes and worker unrest, adding to the ethnic tensions in a country of more than 20 ethnic groups.

# Faculty Senate: study areas are inadequate

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You've got your nose in a book. But do you have enough elbow room?

A University Faculty Senate subcommittee — composed of the committees on Student Life and Libraries — is preparing a report which deems University study space insufficient for some students' needs, said subcommittee chairman Tom Smyth.

The subcommittee's research was conducted in conjunction with Torre Meringolo, chief of the University libraries; humanities and social sciences division.

In addition, a survey conducted last spring by the Undergraduate Student Government's Academic Assembly determined that the University does not offer enough study space.

Whereas the 1982 seating capacity of University Park libraries provided for 8.2percent of the en-

tire student body, the University lost 180 of these seats between 1982 and 1987 because of space allotted to excess library materials, said Assembly President Maria Witmer. Seating capacity as of 1987 was placed at 7.3percent, she said.

Over the next three years, library officials estimate the seating capacity will be lowered to 6.7percent as a result of losing another 216 seats to new texts, she added.

These percentages are critically low when compared to librarians' suggested national standards which set seating capacity at 20 to 30percent of the student body, Witmer said.

Although Smyth terms the national standards "generous percentages," the lack of study space at the University is problematic for some University students, said Smyth, an entomology professor.

Also, students using library space to study occupy seats which

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# Assembly supports revamping TA program

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The Undergraduate Student Government's Academic Assembly voted last night to support a Faculty Senate Undergraduate Instruction Committee proposal to re-organize and improve areas in the current teaching assistant program.

Jerry Covert, assembly advisor and member of the senate committee, presented the assembly with the proposal two weeks ago to allow the group to respond in favor or suggest changes for the draft.

The proposal outlines five recommendations for improving the TA program which include:

■ The re-affirmation of the Faculty Senate's commitment to teaching instruction and English language testing, as mandated by senate legislation passed in 1981.

■ The reporting of results of departmental training activities and English language tests to the Instructional Development Program, which

will provide additional information concerning the programs to the colleges' associate deans.

■ The certification by IDP, assuring that the graduate student is prepared to be a TA, based upon successful completion of the English test and participation in instructional activities.

■ The development of a subcommittee of the Undergraduate Instruction Committee to develop criteria to assess departmental programs and aid IDP in certifying these programs.

■ The evaluation and review by the Undergraduate Instructional subcommittee of IDP's activities in addressing the instructional needs of teaching assistants.

Covert said, in addition to the assembly, he asked for input from other organizations including Graduate Student Association, Administrative Council on Undergraduate Education and the University Student Advisory Board. All of these groups supported the proposal, he added.

It was referred to the Undergraduate Instruction committee last Tuesday and is awaiting approval, he said.

The proposal should receive final Faculty Senate approval in December so it can be implemented in January, he added.

In other business, the assembly unanimously approved the appointment of Kevin Lee as a USG Supreme Court Justice.

Lee received USG senate approval last week, and presented the assembly with his qualifications for the position last night.

After receiving an executive appointment and approval from USG senate, a person seeking a justice position must finally be approved by the assembly, said Stephanie Bozym, assembly vice president.

Lee (junior—administration of justice) is also the executive chairman of the commonwealth campus committee for the Black Caucus.

While attending the Ogontz commonwealth campus, Lee's activities included Black Student Union president and vice president, freshman orientation advisor, Liberal Arts career day coordinator and member of the Cross Culture Committee, he said.

## THURSDAY

### WEATHER

Partly to mostly sunny today, but continued cool, high 50. Tonight increasing cloudiness, low 34. Tomorrow, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers, high 51.....Ross Dickman