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Alipay reaches agreements with 10 airports, Macau included



Third-party online payment platform Alipay has finalised agreements with 10 international airports which will come into play October 1, Securities Times reported. The Macau International Airport is one of the 10 airports included, together with Hong Kong International Airport and other Asian facilities like Tokyo Narita, Osaka Kansai, Singapore's Changi, Seoul Incheon and Taoyuan International Airport. The list includes other locations worldwide like Munich and Auckland Airport.

Hotel room rates surge for national day holidays

As China's National Day Golden Week approaches, hotel room rates in Macau are expected to surge by 35 to 80 percent over the period of October 1 to 4, travel agencies in Guangdong revealed to Macao Daily News. The figures were reached relative to the lodging rates for the previous and subsequent days. The report stated that three-star hotels are registering the most significant rise in prices while four- and five-star hotels record a growth of about 50 percent.

PJ arrests 26 in criminal organization crackdown

A crackdown by the Judiciary Police (PJ) on a criminal organization operating in the region has resulted in the arrest of 26 people, the police force informed. According to the information provided, the 26 suspects in custody were part of a criminal scheme involving usury. All of the suspects involved are mainland Chinese residents.

Region's tourist attractions showcased in Japan

MACAO Government Tourism Office displayed the city's attractions at the four-day JATA Tourism EXPO Japan in Tokyo, in a bid to attract more Japanese and other international visitors to the region.

This year, the MGTO booth at the expo featured a heritage-themed decoration and presents as its top attraction a virtual reality (VR) tour through the peninsula.

According to the bureau, visitors to the booth experienced a virtual trip to Macau, with a bird's eye view of the city's heritage, the new tourism complexes, a ride on a Grand Prix race and finish with a Bungy Jump from the Macau Tower.

Another feature of MGTO booth was a Macau food truck, set up for the consumer days of the expo on the weekend. The food truck introduced some of the region's favorite delicacies, prepared by two local food and beverage establishments.

Representatives from Macau's tourism industry joined the bureau at the expo to promote the city, with the booth also serving as a platform for Macau businesses to connect with their international counterparts and to tap into the Japanese market.



A Macau virtual reality tour was the main attraction of MGTO's booth at the Japanese expo

According to the bureau, Japan is one of region's vital international visitor-source markets. For the first eight months of the year, visitor arrivals increased by 7.5 percent to a total of 187,011 visitors, with overnight stay visitors marking 11.6 percent growth during the same period.

Macau and Japan air links also increased this year, with direct flights to Fukuoka added to the existing daily air links to Tokyo and Osaka.

Meanwhile, MGTO director Maria Helena de Senna Fernandes attended the one-day long forum focused on discus-

sing and sharing best practices concerning the great power of 'MICE and Sports' events in contributing to sustainable tourism development ahead of the Tokyo 2020 Summer Olympics.

Under the theme of 'Green Meetings' in the MICE session, Senna Fernandes, outlined the latest development of the MICE industry in the city, stating the positioning of MICE industry in Macau as one of the city's development strategies.

Senna Fernandes also attended the Global Tourism Forum that started with keynote speeches by the Secretary General of World Tourism Organization, Taleb Rifai, and the President and CEO of the World Travel and Tourism Council, David Scowhill. The speeches were followed by a symposium, with the participation of several guest speakers, that focused on how to build tourism destinations through harmonized development.

JATA Tourism EXPO, held from September 22 until Sunday, is Japan's main international and comprehensive tourism exhibition. Last year the event attracted more than 1,000 exhibiting entities from over 140 countries and regions, and 173,602 visitors.

Further, MGTO also organized a promotion in the country last February, on top of the promotional work carried out all year round. Macau appeared for the first time as a feature destination at the Sapporo Snow Festival, a world famous winter festival in Japan.



THE 30th Macao International Music Festival (MIMF) will start on October 1 with the premier performance – the classic opera "Turandot" by Giacomo Puccini

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MIMF kicks off with classic Italian opera

- shown in the Macau Cultural Center's (CCM) Grand Auditorium. Written by the celebrated Italian opera composer Giacomo Puccini, the piece examines his lifelong theme of love and hate while exploring the orientalist perceptions of a Western composer.

Puccini, who was unable to finish the opera before he died, had his masterpiece pass to Franco Alfano, who completed it from the manuscripts written by the composer prior to his death. The story was then rewritten by Luciano Berio in 2002. According to a statement from CCM, the original version is being performed in this production, to "bring back Puccini's classic."

The 30th edition of MIMF will come to a close with two cine-concerts under the theme of "Chaplin Once More!" Performed by Timothy Brock and the Macao Orchestra, the concerts will be held on October 29 and October 30 respectively, at 8 p.m. at



the Parque Dr. Carlos d'Assumpção, near the Kun Iam Statue.

Charlie Chaplin's famous movies, "City Lights" and "The Gold Rush" will be screened on these two dates respectively, conveying the power of Chaplin's images with accompanying music.

Both movies are written and directed by Chaplin who also composed their soundtracks. When sound films were sweeping the world, Chaplin responded to their arrival by composing scores for his films.

Tickets for the 30th MIMF are now available at Macau Ticketing Network outlets.

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Free EPL broadcast likely to end on Thursday

THE English Premier League (EPL) is currently being broadcast by M Plus Sports Media Company Ltd (M Plus), which provides exclusive live internet broadcasts in Macau.

According to the company, the free service will be available until September 29, but only if online viewers watch the game from its website's links. The company is yet to decide whether free live games will continue to be offered after September 29. Ten games are available every week.

Earlier, the EPL sold Macau Slot the broadcasting rights for football games in the region. As told by an M Plus representative, the company is working in cooperation with Macau Slot to broadcast the games.

Macau Slot members are able to access the games through an app created by the company.

Previously, M Plus and Macau Slot organized a promotion period for the first 3,000 viewers for each game day, granting them free access



Adam Lallana (front) of Liverpool vies for the ball during the EPL match between Chelsea and Liverpool in London

through the application.

According to a previous report by Jornal Cheng Pou, Macau Slot customers can watch the Premier League for 30 days through the app as long as they make deposit of a certain

amount into their accounts.

Macau Slot announced earlier that, besides EPL, the company will continue to introduce other leagues, such as the Spanish La Liga and other top events.

In the past, the Premier League was broadcast by TDM. The Macau public broadcaster is currently broadcasting the English second tier tournament, the Football League Championship. **JZ**

SBM to open 'Café de Paris' next year

Monaco's Société des Bains de Mer (SBM), which manages and owns the Monte Carlo Casino and several others within the small country, announced that it will next year open a brasserie in Macau, according to Le Figaro. The brasserie will be the second branch of the country's famous "Café de Paris" and is expected to open sometime in the middle of 2017 at the Galaxy resort. The Monaco-based restaurant serves a mix of French and Mediterranean food. The company said that it was also hopeful that the publicity in the MSAR might attract some Chinese gamblers to Monaco. Last year, Galaxy Entertainment Group (GEG) bought a 5 percent stake in SBM, which GEG vice chairman Francis Liu described as a "strategic investment" that might result in international collaboration in the near future.

Man electrocuted by light decoration

On Sunday, a 65-year-old resident was electrocuted by an iron string used to fix a light display at Tap Seac Square. According to a report by Jornal Cheng Pou, the resident touched the string while passing through the light decorations of the Moon Cake festival, causing bleeding and second-degree burns on his right thumb. The resident remained lucid throughout treatment. Following the incident, the Civil and Municipal Affairs Bureau arranged a barrier around the display. The Fire Services Bureau discovered that an electricity leakage in one of the light displays was the cause of the accident.

Macau Daily Times contest



STOMP

at The Venetian Macao

World-renowned theatrical sensation, STOMP – an eight-person performance group that uses everyday items such as lighters, bin lids, plastic bags and even kitchen sinks, to hammer out an explosive rhythm, will be coming to The Venetian Theatre from Sept. 23 – Oct. 9, 2016. Tickets are priced HKD/MOP 180-780, and can be booked at all Cotai Ticketing box offices.

Originally from the UK and created by Luke Cresswell and Steve McNicholas back in 1991, STOMP is a show that combines percussion, dance, theatre and comedy with an exhilarating soundtrack inspired by the commotion of daily life. Performers use every-day objects to create beats of different sounds, composing a feel-good percussive symphony. Their passion and enthusiasm are so contagious that the show has won over audiences worldwide of all ages.

than 12 million people in 53 countries across 6 continents. There are up to five STOMP companies performing worldwide at any time.

The infectious STOMP has also performed in several big events, including the 1996 Academy Awards (the Oscars), which received an estimated 1 billion audience globally; and a specially choreographed appearance at the closing ceremony at the London 2012 Olympic Games, it was the largest assembly of STOMP performers ever, as 40 performers from 12 different countries were brought together for one spectacular performance.

STOMP has been touring the globe for 25 years, bringing over 20,000 performances to more



Show: now until 9th Oct, Tuesdays to Sundays
Venue: The Venetian Theatre
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Question for readers:

How many people make up the STOMP performance group?

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Along with your name and contact details.

Tickets-Giveaway

Four sets of two tickets each will be awarded to the four readers who send us more correct answers the fastest. The contest will run for 3 days (Tuesday to Thursday), each day with a different question to be answered. Each ticket is valued at MOP580 for a total prize value of MOP4,640.

UM scholar launches book on American-Macau relations

Daniel Beittler

A book launch was held at the University of Macau (UM) last week, where professor Hao Yufan, who is currently serving as the acting director of the Centre for Macau Studies, presented his research findings on the U.S. diplomatic service in the peninsula during the mid-19th century.

The book, titled "Dispatches from United States Consuls in Macao (1849-1869)", is primarily written in English and contains copies of letters written by U.S. consular officials in Macau addressed to the U.S. Department of State during the period.

Hao Yufan who spoke with the Times ahead of his presentation yesterday, explained that the book sheds light on the relationship between the American and Portuguese officials in Macau, as the former tried to expand its influence in East Asia.

"The book is about the American relationship with Macau since the mid-19th century,

[dealing] mostly with the diplomatic dispatches of the American Consul," explained Hao. "These are very important historical documents for us to understand the early activities of the U.S. in this part of the world, and they [the letters] also provide [information] on Macau-U.S. relations in general during this period."

"Macao used to be a very important base," said Hao, in reference to the use of the peninsula as a base for Western traders to access the lucrative markets of China and Japan. "In those days, before Hong Kong was an important place, the Americans viewed Macau as the link to Canton [Guangdong Province]."

When asked why he wanted to examine this particular bilateral relationship in his book, Hao replied, "I am interested in this topic because I am an expert in international relations. After coming to [the University of] Macau, it became quite obvious that my research interests would gradually focus on



Hao Yufan

Macau's external relationship – including its relations with the British, Americans and other Western powers."

"A lot of scholars have studied Macau-Portuguese relations, but there are other areas that need to be covered," he added.

MGTO to provide extra information to incoming Indian tourists

MACAO Government Tourism Office (MGTO) head, Helena de Senna Fernandes, stated on Sunday that the complaints made by several Indian tourists when trying to enter Macau, reported first hand by the Times last week, have affected the region's tourism image.

Fernandes explained that, in response to the issue, the bureau will provide supplementary information to visitors from India regarding what documents should be provided at the region's immigration counters.

In our report published last week, representatives from the Indian community as well as several tourists complained that they faced discrimination when entering the region.

Other Indian visitors confirmed they were required to stand in a separate line, had to wait for a long time, or were asked to procure documents such as return tickets and cash. Such probes appear to happen more often to tou-

rists who travel alone.

The Immigration Bureau's spokesperson stressed that there is no discrimination, as such measures are simply a part of the bureau's working guidelines for a number of nationals visiting Macau.

The MGTO director claimed that the procedures at the border are not discriminatory.

However, she stated that providing more information on the documents needed to enter Macau would minimize any inconvenience caused and dispel the doubts of Indian visitors.

Lawmaker Pereira Coutinho believes that the way Indian nationals are being treated when entering Macau is creating a negative image about the region's reception of such tourists.

According to the latest figures, there were 104,586 visitor arrivals from India between January and July 2016, a 3.2 percent increase compared to the same period last year. From this figure, 87,946 stayed overnight in local hotels, while 16,640 were day-trippers.

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EDUCATION

TIS holds sixth University Fair

Lynzy Valles

THE International School of Macau held its sixth University Fair yesterday, in which 43 universities participated.

The annual event aims to provide students from TIS and surrounding high schools with information about degree programs, application processes and scholarship opportunities.

TIS Academic Counselors Jody Hubert and Dan d'Entremont told the Times it was expected the event would be attended by 450 students. In addition to TIS students, pupils from the Macau Anglican College and the School of the Nations were in attendance, as well as from the Zhuhai International School.

"I think it's good for students of all ages because it really shows them some different schools to think about," Hubert explained. "It gets the



kids thinking and so it gives them a kick to get their applications done," she added.

Dan d'Entremont explained that the majority of last year's TIS graduates entered UK universities, thus most of the institutions in the fair are from the UK.

"If [you] look at our graduating class last year, a lot of them went to these universities here, who are now coming to recruit. So perhaps now that they've gotten some students from Macau, they're coming to Macau hoping to

get more students applying," he said.

Meanwhile, several students said they believed the fair was an advantage to them, as some have no plans of pursuing their studies in the region.

Juliana Tavares, a TIS student who is planning to study law, explained that the fair has broadened her perspective on choosing an institution.

"I always have a fixed mindset on where I want to go but this really open[ed] my eyes. These opportunities [...] kind

of broaden your perspective and I think it's really helpful," she said.

Another graduating student, Sonia Mercedes, said she also plans to study law and would like to explore different cultures, hence she has no plans to continue her studies in Macau.

Some exhibitors said they received several enquiries from the visiting students across a range of ages. The fair does not only target graduating students, but also pupils who will graduate in two to three years.

University of Hull representative Dominic Greenfield stated that the most popular courses are engineering, psychology and sport science, adding that he thought the fair was a success with a good turnout.

The counselors said there are plans of inviting several more schools in the region to the fair, adding that they will make the fair larger in the future if space permits.

China's state-owned company to build LRT depot

The government has outsourced the building of a Light Railway Transit (LRT) depot to China State Construction Engineering Corporation (CSCEC) in a contract worth MOP1.07 billion, according to a notice published yesterday in the government's Official Gazette. The total payment will be settled over a period of four years, up until 2019 when a final installment will be paid to CSCEC. Earlier, the government paid MOP85 million to previous contractors of the project in order to unilaterally terminate deals. The depot project is one of the five projects comprising the Taipa section of the LRT. It will occupy an area of about 130,000 square meters.

Police officer forgot gun in public bathroom

A male traffic officer is facing disciplinary investigation after leaving his gun in a public bathroom. The incident occurred last week. Police were alerted by a resident who reported finding the gun in the men's bathroom close to the Golden Lotus Square. The Public Security Police Force confirmed that a traffic officer lost his gun while on-duty at the Lotus Square. The officer left the firearm behind at 11:30 a.m. when he left the place, and returned back to the scene 10 minutes later.

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Institute for Tourism Studies (IFT), a rapidly growing public higher education institution in Macao devoted entirely to education and training for the tourism and hospitality industry, invites applications for the following full-time teaching posts:

Assistant Professor of Tourism College (Ref. No. 010/AC/2016)

Subjects to be taught in English and/or Chinese. Successful candidates are required to teach in both the daytime and evening degree programmes.

Hotel Management (1 vacancy) : should be able to teach/develop specific subjects such as Hotel Operations, F&B Cost Control and Lodging Management.

Management and Marketing (1 vacancy) : should be able to teach/develop specific subjects such as Human Resources Management, Strategic Management, Leadership, Service Quality Management and Advanced Marketing.

Requirements:

Assistant Professor: should have at least a Master's degree in the relevant area and at least 4 years of full time teaching experience as Lecturer. Candidates are expected to engage in research and industry collaborations, and teach/develop the subject areas above. For a full list of subjects in the current curriculum and details of the academic unit, please visit www.ift.edu.mo.

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The selection panel consists of the Director of Tourism College, the relevant coordinators and faculty members. Outside members may also be invited. Selection will be based on (1) documentary evaluation, (2) mock teaching and interview.

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Apply **online** at IFT website (<http://www.ift.edu.mo/JobVacancies>) and submit the following documents in PDF format:

- Full resume (including details of teaching experience)
- Cover letter
- ID or passport copy
- Copies of academic transcripts and certificates
- Service certificates issued by current/former employers for the current/past teaching experience, only upon request

Application closes on 26 October 2016

- The selected candidates are expected to assume duty in 2017 or earlier.
- Final result name list will be announced on IFT website around first-quarter of 2017 or earlier.
- Please note that ALL application materials must be received by the closing date (Macao time). Application received by IFT after the closing date will only be included in the next round of recruitment, if applicable.
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For application details, please visit <http://www.ift.edu.mo/JobVacancies>.

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THE Chief Executive (CE) Chui Sai On is one of the local figures mentioned in the "leakage" of confidential data related to offshore connections. The so-called "Bahamas Leaks" refers to the CE, Chui's brother and lawmaker Chui Sai Cheong in connection to a company named Yee Shing International. The company is referred to as a "ghost company," and its headquarters are said to be in the British Virgin Islands.

The two members of the Chui family are mentioned as being former directors of the company, a subsidiary of Hopewell Holdings Limited, a Hong Kong based and listed infrastructure and property firm founded and headed by Gordon Wu in 1972.

The connection was first established by the neighboring media website HKO1, citing documents leaked from offshore companies registered in the Bahamas between 1990 and 2016.

The company was involved in several local real estate projects, namely the Nova Taipa and Nova City developments, among

'Bahamas leaks' reveals offshore connections of Chui family



many others in Hong Kong and on the Pearl River Delta such as the expressway, tunnel and bridge projects in the four toll expressway Guangzhou-Shenzhen Superhighway, Phases I, II and III of the Western Delta Route.

Chui Sai On was reportedly director of the company for a

period of two years in between 1997 and 1999, before taking office as Secretary for Social Affairs and Culture.

As for the CE's brother, Chui Sai Cheong, one of the founding members of the company, the connection lasted far longer and is controversial due to the fact that Cheong has been a lawmaker since the handover in 1999, and was therefore obliged to declare his position as director of Yee Shing International on his declaration of assets and interests - which he allegedly failed to do, according to HKO1.

In comments to Chinese language newspaper Macao Daily News last Saturday, Cheong explained that he had resigned from the position [as director] in July 2012 and that the legal regime of declaration of assets and interests only came into effect in

2013, in this way justifying that he was not obliged to declare his assets and interests prior to the new law.

The "Bahamas Leaks" released 1.3 million internal files from the company register of the Bahamas, one of the world's most notorious tax paradises.

The data has brought to light details of the financial interests of politicians, entrepreneurs, financiers - and fraudsters just five months after the release of the "Panama Papers." The information was first received by German newspaper *Süddeutsche Zeitung*, and then shared with the public in a Bahamas leaks database, established by the Washington-based International Consortium of Investigative Journalists (ICIJ), the same organization that initially revealed the Panama Papers. **RM**

HEALTH

New free vaccine program begins

THE Health Bureau (SSM) began yesterday offering free vaccinations for the seasonal influenza. The offer is open to those who carry a higher risk of being affected by the disease.

In order to be eligible for the free vaccination, elderly recipients must be at least 50 years old, an improvement when compared to the situation before, in which the minimum age was 60. Still, the current vaccination scheme aims specifically for people aged 60 or older, and only from November 1 will residents aged between 50 to 59 years old be able to receive the shots.

Other groups considered eligible for free vaccinations include children aged between six months and 18 years, pregnant women, patients with chronic diseases, obese people (body mass index of at least 30), and those who work in non-tertiary schools, nurseries, and other institutions regarded by the SSM as in need of vaccinating workers, such as casino employees and civil servants.

Specific schedules for schools have been arranged to take place between next month and December. The process for governmental departments and casinos will start in December.

This year, SSM has purchased 120,000 doses of the quadrivalent flu vaccine, which can protect recipients against influenza A and influenza B.

The department has issued a reminder that people who received vaccines between the period of September 2015 and July 2016, still need to take the new vaccine as it contains an update especially designed for the seasonal flu which will occur in the 2016-17 period between February and August of next year.

CRIME

Mainland man loses HKD1.15 million in gambling-related scam

Julie Zhu

A 35-year-old Hong Kong male resident, surnamed Lam, and a 31-year-old local male resident, surnamed Kuan, obtained HKD1.15 million from a mainland tourist by telling the victim they would help him transfer the money to his mainland bank account. The money had been won by the victim from a local casino, the Public Security Police Force announced at a press conference yesterday.

According to the police report, on September 15, the victim won the money from a casino located in the Cotai, where the mainland resident met a third suspect. The latter, who is currently on the run, gave a bank account number to the victim and told him to deposit the money there, after which he would transfer the money to the victim's

mainland bank account. The victim proceeded to transfer the money to the account, as instructed by the third suspect.

The Macau resident, Kuan, later withdrew the money from the account, which had been opened by Lam. After withdrawing the cash, Kuan handed it over to the third man.

The victim only became aware of the scam one hour later, when he confirmed that no money had been transferred to his account, and then reported the case to the police.

On September 20, the police force arrested Lam, around 6 p.m. at the Border Gate, when the suspect was attempting to cross the border to Zhuhai. Kuan was arrested later on the same day while trying to leave the territory at the Macau Ferry Terminal. Both the third suspect and the money have not yet been found.

In a separate case, a local resident has been

charged with aggravated offence after being caught driving during a suspension period. The local resident, surnamed Heng and aged around 20, was inspected by police at the border gate on the morning of September 24. Police asked the driver to show legal documents which could prove his driver's license, however the man failed to do so. The police then discovered he was serving a suspension period due to many earlier speeding infringements.

FOUR ARRESTED AFTER ILLEGALLY ENTERING THE CITY

THREE MAINLAND Chinese residents and one Vietnamese person were arrested last week after illegally entering the territory. The four suspects, three men and one woman, were detained overnight by police on Saturday and Sunday. The suspects arrived in Macau by swimming and on boats, as announced by the PSP yesterday. The four admitted they came to the city looking for jobs, while some came to the city for gambling as well.

corporate bits

NEW SANDS CHINA CFO FROM SEPTEMBER 29



The Times has learnt that the current finance director of Hong Kong's MTR Corporation, Stephen Law, is set to join Sands China as chief financial officer from September 29.

Law earned a degree in civil engineering from the University of Birmingham, UK in 1984, before joining Arthur Andersen as an accountant trainee. He later returned to Hong Kong in 1989 as an audit manager for the accountancy firm KPMG. After holding various other senior roles, he assumed the position of finance director of MTR Corporation in 2013.

He has also served as a council member of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants since 2010, an adjunct professor of the Hong Kong Polytechnic University more recently, and in 2014, was appointed as an expert consultant to China's Ministry of Finance.

'SING! CHINA' FILMS NATIONAL DAY SPECIAL AT VENETIAN MACAO



Hit reality TV show "Sing! China" thrilled audiences at The Venetian Macao's Cotai Arena on September 21 while filming a Macau-set episode for an upcoming China National Day television special, according to a statement from Sands China.

An on-stage singing battle saw four of China's most popular singers - Jay Chou, Na

Ying, Wang Feng and Harlem Yu - acting as celebrity mentors to 14 contestants, who performed their signature songs from season one of the show.

The most-viewed program in its prime time slot since first airing on July 15, "Sing! China" is a hugely popular singing competition and reality show, produced by Star TV and aired via Zhejiang Satellite TV.

ACCORHOTELS LAUNCHES TRIPLE HOTEL OPENING IN ANHUI PROVINCE



AccorHotels and Wanda Group have jointly announced the opening of three new hotels, Pullman, Novotel and Mercure, in Hefei, Anhui Province. The three hotels mark the next stage in the brands' partnership with Wanda Group.

The latest project is a key development under the Hefei Wanda Cultural Tourism City venture, according to a statement from AccorHotels, and is the province's largest hospitality investment with a total construction area of over 900,000 square meters.

Dubai airport plans more gates

AP PHOTO



DUBAI Airports is boosting the number of specialized facilities to handle Airbus A380 planes at the Middle East's busiest airport as hometown carrier Emirates grows its fleet of the double-decker aircraft.

The government-backed airport operator said yesterday it plans to add 10 more A380 gates with air bridges at Dubai International Airport's Concourse C. That will leave the airport with a world record 47 gates designed for the mammoth aircraft. It plans to complete the project by 2018 at an undisclosed cost. It's part of plans to boost capacity at the airport to 118 million passengers by 2023.

Dubai International is the world's third-busiest airport, and handles more international passenger traffic than any other. Emirates is by far the world's largest A380 operator.

Jack Ma's Ant Financial expects to rack up a Singles' Day record

ANT Financial, the Chinese payments giant controlled by billionaire Jack Ma, expects this year's Singles' Day shopping extravaganza to top 2015's roughly USD14 billion as domestic consumption remains resilient despite an economic slowdown.

The online financial services company expects to handle a record amount of sales on Nov. 11, an annual 24-hour online shopping marathon pioneered by affiliate Alibaba Group Holding Ltd. that's become a barometer for Chinese internet retail. As the operator of leading payments service Alipay, Ant Financial plays a key role in the smooth exchange of the enormous sums of cash in play.

Alibaba and Ant have plenty riding on the event, which is closely watched by investors and a source of immense pride for both companies. It's also attracted some controversy: the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission has been looking at data reported from the promotion last year, Alibaba said in its annual report in May. Vice Chairman Jo-



Jack Ma

seph Tsai has said the company is cooperating with the regulator, sharing facts in an investigation it had voluntarily disclosed.

"We have our partners and employees working around the clock in anticipation of 11/11 this year. We expect and we hope it to be even bigger than last year," said Douglas Feagin, the for-

mer Goldman Sachs investment banker who now heads Ant's international operations. "We have many more merchants and products and service available on the platforms, and I can tell you that many are in the advanced stages of planning."

China's largest online financial services company, known as Zhejiang Ant Small & Micro Financial Services Group Co., serves some 450 million users and competes with Tencent Holdings Ltd. in online payments as well as internet services from dining to food delivery. Valued recently at \$75 billion by CLSA Ltd., it's said to be exploring an IPO in Hong Kong as soon as in 2017.

"We see the benefits of being a public company but there is no timetable," Feagin told Bloomberg News before a media event in Shanghai.

Ant's now trying to replicate its local success overseas, especially in Asia. It wants to follow in the footsteps of the tens of millions of Chinese who venture abroad annually, enabling their dining, shopping and other needs on

the road. Alipay is now accepted by more than 80,000 off-line retailers around the world, Feagin said. And on Monday, it announced a deal to get the service accepted at 10 international airports from Munich to Tokyo and Seoul.

It's also on the prowl for acquisitions. Ant Financial and Primavera Capital Group are buying a stake in Yum! Brands Inc.'s Chinese operation for \$460 million, a deal that gets its payments platform on KFC and Pizza Hut restaurants across the country. It already owns a slice of Paytm, one of India's largest digital transactions platforms. And it will soon get approval to complete its purchase of a 20 percent stake in Thailand's Ascend Money, Feagin said, a step toward becoming a larger player in Southeast Asia.

Growth in e-commerce at home however is straining Ant's network, which also hosts the country's largest money-market fund and a plethora of other financial services. Ant will keep investing in security and expanding its capacity, Feagin said. The company is also looking for overseas technology to get a leg up on Tencent, its fiercest rival in internet finance. For instance, it recently acquired EyeVerify Inc., a biometric authentication technology for securing consumers' online data and transactions. **Bloomberg**

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Timothy L. O'Brien

DURING a campaign stop in North Carolina last week, Donald Trump described the logic behind his plans for billing other countries for U.S. military support should he become president:

"It's called OPM. I do it all the time in business. It's called other people's money. There's nothing like doing things with other people's money because it takes the risk - you get a good chunk out of it and it takes the risk."

By "takes the risk," Trump means that using other people's funds reduces his risk of losing any of his own money on deals. Trump has spent a lifetime using other people's money - and losing piles of it along the way.

Trump's MO around OPM in his early days was defined largely by his father, Fred, basically because Fred had a lot of M. While Trump frequently downplays the role his father played at the start of his business career, his dad was always there for him, wallet and Rolodex open.

"It has not been easy for me," Trump said at a town hall meeting in New Hampshire almost a year ago. "And you know I started off in Brooklyn, my father gave me a small loan of a million dollars." In a subsequent interview, Trump described his father's financial support as amounting to nothing more than a "very, very small loan."

None of this is true, of course.

When Trump first sized up Manhattan real estate in the mid-1970s, his father cosigned bank loans for tens of millions of dollars. These loans made it possible for young Trump to make signature deals like the one that turned a faded New York hotel into the glittery Grand Hyatt.

When Trump set his sights on the Atlantic City casino market, his father loaned him about USD7.5 million. When Trump started floundering there about a decade later, Fred sent a lawyer into a Trump casino to buy \$3.5 million in chips so Trump could use the money to make a bond payment and fend off corporate bankruptcy. When the bankruptcies arrived anyway and left him stumbling, Trump asked his siblings for a \$30 million cut of their father's estate in 1993 so he could pay for his own living expenses.

"I had zero borrowings from the estate," Trump told me when I asked him about the \$30 million loan request for a book I was writing, *TrumpNation*. "I give you my word."

Trump unsuccessfully sued me for libel for the book, and during a deposition in the case

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Trump rides on waves of other people's money

he acknowledged that, in fact, he had borrowed at least \$9 million from his dad's estate.

In 2003, four years after Fred died, Trump and his three siblings sold most of their father's real estate holdings for about \$600 million, which they reportedly split equally among themselves. So all of this stuff adds up to a lot more than a mere \$1 million loan from Dad. And it might be the case that Fred's financial largess toward his son explains the younger Trump's laissez faire attitude toward debt and OPM.

Trump's deal spree of the 1980s and early 1990s also extended well beyond Fred and his relatively modest contribution to Trump's OPM annals. Big banks, including the forerunners of Citigroup and JP Morgan, had joined forces with other credulous lenders, allowing Trump to amass \$3.4 billion in debt, of which he had personally guaranteed about \$900 million. This was debt on a grand scale, incurred using lots and lots of OPM and handled in a way in which nobody, including Trump, was thinking very carefully about whether or not he could pay it back.

Trump later discovered that he could also tap bondholders

and stockholders to raise money for his casinos - all sorts of OPM right there. Trump's gambling business was never profitable during the entire time he ran it as a public company.

When Trump's casinos eventually shriveled, investors, pensioners, workers and Atlantic City itself "took the risk" from Trump and suffered. For his part, Trump said during the Republican primary debates earlier this year that he used the bankruptcy code to make "a great deal" for himself in Atlantic City.

OPM also has been a colorful part of the Donald J. Trump Foundation. Charities, of necessity and by design, revolve around OPM. Two other features are handy ways of identifying a charity associated with a famous person: 1) The charity's namesake usually is a generous giver to his or her own organization, and 2) The charity spends its funds on the needy or some other worthy cause (as opposed to, say, on Tim Tebow's football helmet or on a life-size portrait of yourself).

Based on a wonderful series of eye-opening stories by the Washington Post's David

Fahrenthold, we now know that the Trump Foundation has been spending money in ways that look irresponsible, unethical or possibly illegal. (We've known for years, thanks to the work of Bill Bastone and his colleagues at The Smoking Gun, that Trump himself, prior to the 2016 campaign, has never been a big donor to the Trump Foundation.)

OPM also courses through the financial arteries of that skeletal, fly-by-night operation known as the Trump campaign. A glimpse of how the campaign is spending voter contributions (the OPM in this particular political equa-

tion) to hoist Trump toward the Oval Office can be had whenever campaign finance forms are filed. Politico offered a roundup last week.

Politico found that the Trump campaign has paid more than \$8.2 million to Trump-affiliated business, primarily for rent in Trump-controlled properties and for use of the Trump jet. That represents about 7 percent of the campaign's total spending of \$119 million, which Politico described as "an unprecedented amount of self-dealing in federal politics."

If Trump makes it to the White House, he'll get to play on a bigger field than he has so far in his business, charitable and political careers. He'll also come into close contact with the greatest stash of OPM of all time: federal tax receipts.

However much Trump plans to continue touting his philosophy of OPM between now and Election Day, it will be worth remembering that he hasn't proven to be a very reliable steward of OPM over the years. That's something to consider if you're a taxpayer thinking of becoming the next person to open your wallet to Trump. **Bloomberg**

■ **Trump's gambling business was never profitable during the entire time he ran it as a public company**



A helmeted hornbill is perched on a nest in Thailand



Parts of helmeted hornbills are photographed in North Sumatra

Poachers target rare bird's 'ivory' beak in SE Asia for Chinese buyers

Christopher Torchia, Johannesburg

SOME call it "ivory on wings," part of the bill of a critically endangered bird in Southeast Asia that is sought by poachers and carved into ornaments for illegal sale to Chinese buyers.

The helmeted hornbill isn't getting as much attention as the beleaguered African elephant at

a global wildlife conference this week in South Africa. But the killing of elephants by the tens of thousands for their tusks is intertwined with a surge in the slaughter of the rare bird whose beak part is a coveted substitute for ivory.

"It's all part of the rising demand for ivory," said Richard Thomas, spokesman for TRAFFIC, a conservation group based in Britain.

Poaching of the helmeted hornbill has soared since around 2010, particularly in Indonesia. The timing roughly coincides with an increase in elephant poaching that has caused a sharp drop in elephant populations. Last year, the helmeted hornbill was designated as critically endangered on an international "red list" of threatened species.

Delegates are discussing protections for elephants, helmeted hornbills and other vulnerable wildlife at a meeting in Johannesburg of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora, or CITES. The 12-day meeting of the U.N. group, which regulates wildlife trade, ends Oct. 5.

The helmeted hornbill is a bird of lore, featuring in an ancient belief that it sits by a river between life and death. Its feathers have been used in traditional ceremonies. During breeding, the female is sealed into a nest, relying on the male to provide food.

The call of the helmeted hornbill is an intermittent, honking sound that slowly builds in tempo until it ends in what resembles, for some listeners, shrieks of laughter. Loud and long, the call helps poachers locate their prey.

In a CITES document, Indonesia asked for more collaboration among law enforcement agencies from countries where helmeted hornbills live, as well as "end market" nations — a reference primarily to China.

China, the world's main ivory consumer, has already said it plans to close its domestic ivory market.

A large lump on top of the beak of the helmeted hornbill is made of keratin, a protein also found in rhino horn and other animal and human parts. It has a red tinge is softer than elephant ivory, making it an attractive material for carvers who have fashioned belt buckles, snuff boxes, pendants and images of Chinese deities from it over many centuries.

The upper part of the bill, also known as a casque, is solid, unlike the hollow casques of other hornbill species. Its price on the illegal market is higher than that of elephant ivory. A casque weighs up to 350 grams; the average weight of an elephant tusk is five kilograms, though a big male's tusk can weigh 10 times as much.

At least 2,170 heads and bill parts of helmeted hornbills were

confiscated from the illegal trade in Indonesia and China between 2012 and 2014, TRAFFIC said.

Investigators found helmeted hornbill products being sold openly in Laos, a major transit point for wildlife traffickers that borders China, according to a TRAFFIC report released this month. Sale locations included a luxury hotel and convention center in central Vientiane, the capital, it said.

Indonesia said it has arrested more than 20 people in the hel-

2,170 heads and bill parts of helmeted hornbills were confiscated from the illegal trade in Indonesia and China between 2012-14

meted hornbill trade and sentenced most of them. Penalties include up to five years in jail and a heavy fine.

On Saturday, rangers in Indonesia's Gunung Leuser National Park arrested a suspected helmeted hornbill poacher with a rifle and silencer, according to the Wildlife Conservation Society, or WCS, a group based in New York. The suspect had just entered the forest and did not have any bird parts.

"This species needs to be on people's radars," said Elizabeth Bennett, vice president of species conservation at WCS.

Illegal logging in Indonesia is shrinking the habitat of the helmeted hornbill. Conservationists fear poachers will focus on the Malaysian population once supply dries up in Indonesia.

Some elephants learning to avoid dangerous areas of poaching

SOME African elephant herds are adapting to the danger of poaching by moving out of risky areas, according to one conservation group.

The plight of elephants is a key issue at the meeting of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora, or CITES, which began over the weekend and ends Oct. 5.

Radio tracking data of elephants since 1998 in northern Kenya show how "exquisitely sensitive to risk they are," said Frank Pope, operations manager of Save the Elephants.

Africa had 1.3 million elephants in the 1970s but has only 500,000 today, according to wildlife experts.

In northern Kenya's Shaba reserve, "you can almost pick out the borders of the reserve by where the elephants go," Pope said. "There is no fence, there is no cutting, there is nothing to visually mark it, but the elephants know, 'I am safe here, I'm not safe here.'"

Pope said "there is every reason to believe that elephants are voting with their feet and moving from unsafe areas to safe areas."

Save the Elephants also works in Virunga National Park in eastern Congo, which is home to multiple armed groups competing for control of the region's vast mineral resources. Some have been accused of killing elephants for their tusks.



Elephants there stick closely to ranger's posts, Pope said.

The elephant populations worst hit by poaching are in Tanzania, Gabon, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Mozambique, Republic of Congo and Congo.

Kenya has said it will push for the total ban on the trade in ivory at the CITES meeting. It says the temporary lifting of the ban in 2007 to allow some countries to offload their stockpiles fueled the resurgence of killing elephants to sell their tusks, primarily to China and southeast Asian countries. AP



Chinese paramilitary policemen walk outside the North Korean embassy in Beijing

Beijing investigating North Korean bank, report says

CHINESE authorities are investigating a North Korean bank suspected of financing its government's imports of goods that might be used by the North's nuclear weapons program, a South Korean newspaper reported yesterday.

Kwangson Banking Corp. was ordered closed under U.N. sanctions imposed in March in response to the North's nuclear tests but kept operating in secret in the border city of Dandong, Joongang Daily reported, citing unidentified sources.

China's Foreign Ministry and its bank regulator did not respond to requests for comment.

Beijing has long been North Korea's main source of aid and diplomatic support but is showing growing frustration with Pyongyang's pursuit of nuclear weapons in defiance of foreign pressure.

China signed on in March to the U.N. trade sanctions and has tightened controls on cross-border flows of goods. Security Council resolutions prohibit nuclear weapons development by the North and all ballistic missile activity.

This month, Chinese authorities disclosed they were investigating the Hongxiang Group in Dandong, which U.S. and South Korean researchers said sold the Nor-

th materials with possible military uses.

The government of North Korean leader Kim Jong Un conducted its fifth nuclear test on Sept. 9. That raised concern abroad that it was moving closer to its goal of a nuclear-armed missile that could one day strike the U.S. mainland.

Kwangson Bank is an affiliate of North Korea's state-run Foreign Trade Bank, which was cited by the U.S. Treasury in 2009 for financing entities supplying equipment with possible military uses to Pyongyang, according to Joongang Daily.

The newspaper said Kwangson's Dandong branch operated on the 13th floor of a building occupied by Hongxiang Group.

Hongxiang is suspected of unspecified "serious economic crimes," according to earlier announcements by police in Liaoning and China's Foreign Ministry.

The Center for Advanced Defense Studies in Washington and the Asan Institute for Policy Studies in Seoul said in a report in August that the company supplied aluminum oxide and other materials used in processing nuclear bomb fuel.

The researchers said Hongxiang supplied the North with possible "dual use" products, including pure aluminum ingots, alumi-

num oxide, ammonium paratungstate and tungsten trioxide.

Tungsten trioxide can be used in making more aerodynamically stable missiles, while aluminum oxide is used to resist corrosion in gas centrifuges during uranium enrichment, according to Asan. It said those could qualify as "potential military and nuclear dual use products" under U.S. Department of Commerce restrictions.

The chairwoman of Hongxiang, Ma Xiaohong, was detained last month and three of her siblings are being investigated, Joongang Daily said.

Washington wants Beijing to lean harder on Pyongyang. Chinese leaders have resisted for fear of destabilizing Kim's government and setting off a flood of refugees or a political collapse that might lead to U.S. and South Korean troops being stationed in the North near China's border.

In April, China banned imports of North Korean coal and iron ore, an important revenue source for the impoverished country.

That was followed in June by a ban on exports to the North of "dual use" items, including metal alloys, cutting and laser-welding equipment, and materials that could be used in production of chemical weapons. **AP**

Japan vows to watch Chinese warplane activity closely



Chinese People's Liberation Army Air Force Su-30 fighter (right), flies along with a H-6K bomber as they take part in a drill near the East China Sea

JAPAN's top government spokesman warned China yesterday against expanding its military activity to the skies over disputed East China Sea islands after eight Chinese warplanes flew near the area over the weekend.

Chief Cabinet Secretary Yoshihide Suga said that Japan scrambled at least one fighter jet after the planes passed over the Miyako Strait on Sunday, east of the Japanese-controlled Senkaku islands, which China also claims and calls the Diaoyu.

The aircraft, believed to be two fighter jets, four bombers and two reconnaissance aircraft, did not violate Japanese airspace during a long-distance roundtrip flight, Suga said, but it was the first time Chinese warplanes had flown that route.

Chinese media reports said the flights were part of a routine exercise involving about 40 aircraft.

Suga acknowledged that the flights might be part of an exercise, but said that Japan would respond firmly to any violation of Japanese airspace.

"The government of Japan continues to watch the Chinese military's activity, which has become expansive and more active, while carrying out our surveillance activity," Suga said. "We are determined to defend our land, territorial waters and the skies."

Three to four Chinese coast guard ships regularly sail around the disputed islands, entering what Japan considers its territorial waters a few times a month. They exchange warnings with Japanese coast guard ships, with both sides staking claim to the waters. **AP**

Japan's leader vows to accelerate Abenomics on China slowdown

JAPANESE Prime Minister Shinzo Abe pledged to accelerate his mix of policies to prop up Japan's economic recovery and speed up parliamentary approval of the Trans-Pacific Partnership trade pact.

In his policy statement opening the 66-day parliamentary session, Abe outlined an extra set of stimulus measures to help the economic recovery and spur more consumer and corporate spending. He aims to push through a supplementary budget to implement some of the measures as part of a larger package.

Abe reiterated that the global economy faces "major risks" such as uncertainty over Britain's exit from the European Union and the slowdown of emerging economies including China, stressing the need to accelerate his Abenomics policy mix of fiscal stimulus and structural reforms.

"We'll further accelerate Abenomics and maximize the pace of moving out of deflation," he said.

Abe said the TPP is a key part of his growth policies, though he did not set a specific deadline for parliamentary approval of the trade pact, apparently amid uncertainty ahead of the U.S. presidential elec-



Japan's Prime Minister Shinzo Abe

tion in November. He only hinted at a timing of TPP approval sometime later this year.

"An early entry into force of the TPP will be a big chance and we will aim to quickly achieve a 1 trillion yen [USD10 billion] target [of annual agricultural exports]," Abe said.

He said he seeks to reach a basic economic partnership agreement with the European Union by the end of December, a target that Japan has previously set.

Abe highlighted the economy in his address, while touching on his long-cherished but divisive political goal of revising Japan's U.S. occupation-era constitution. He urged a national debate as a step to gain support for a revision, but mentioned the constitution only briefly at the end of his speech. **AP**

A Philippine Airlines plane en route to Haneda airport in Tokyo returned to Manila's airport 20 minutes into its flight yesterday after the crew detected smoke in the cabin. The plane with 235 people on board landed safely and there were no reports of injury.

Firefighters and rescue teams were dispatched but the plane landed without incident.

Airline spokeswoman Cielo Villaluna said the A340-300 aircraft with 222 passengers and 13 crew members returned "due to a technical concern."

She said the plane is being examined to determine why it had to turn back and the cause of the smoke was not known.

Passengers will continue with their journey [the same day] on a replacement flight, she added.

Last week, a Saudi Arabian Airlines pilot mistakenly pressed a hijack warning button on a flight approaching Manila's airport, where officials mobilized commando forces and isolated the jet after it landed.

The pilot confirmed to the airport tower that he pressed the distress button but did not say until the plane was parked that it was a mistake, the airport's aviation security chief Mao Aplasca said. **AP**

PHILIPPINES

PAL plane safely lands in Manila after smoke seen in cabin



President Rodrigo Duterte

PHILIPPINES

Duterte to forge closer ties with China, Russia

PHILIPPINE President Rodrigo Duterte says he has decided to "cross the Rubicon" in his ties with the United States and will open trade alliances and offer long-term land leases to "the

other side of the ideological barrier," China and Russia.

He said yesterday he is "not really" breaking ties with the U.S., his country's long-time treaty ally, but will open all areas of

trade and commerce to China and Russia. He said they will be able to lease land for up to 120 years.

Duterte said he will travel to China soon to talk to President Xi Jinping, and

then to Japan and Russia.

Duterte has had an uneasy relationship with the U.S., which has criticized his bloody crackdown on illegal drugs in which more than 3,000 people have died.

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Teenage surfer stable after shark attack at beach

A teenage surfer was in stable condition after he was bitten by a shark yesterday at the same Australian beach where a Japanese surfer was fatally mauled last year, officials said.

Cooper Allen, a 17-year-old high school student, was surfing with friends on the first day of the students' spring vacation when he was attacked off Ballina's Lighthouse Beach at mid-morning, Ballina Mayor David Wright said.

The shark struck from behind and bit across the board's fins as the boy lay on the board paddling. The shark's lower jaw tore into the fiberglass as its upper teeth clamped his right hip and thigh, Wright said.

"The shark lacerated his leg in three or four places fairly deep," Wright said. "Luckily the lifeguards were on duty and got down there quickly."

"He should be OK. It was very

close to his artery," Wright added.

Cooper, a Ballina resident, was taken by ambulance to Lismore Base Hospital, where he was in a stable condition, emergency services said.

Police Detective Chief Inspector Cameron Lindsay said teeth marks on the board suggested a great white shark between 2.5 and 3 meter long. Police also said a 4-meter great white was spotted off Lighthouse Beach later in the morning.

In February last year, Japanese tourist Tadashi Nakahara, 41, died after losing both his legs to a great white 3 to 4 meters long while surfing at Ligh-

thouse Beach.

Four shark attacks in the Ballina area have required hospital treatment since that tragedy and there have been many more near misses, Wright said.

The state government last month abandoned plans to safeguard Lighthouse Beach with a 700-meter nylon shark barrier.

Three attempted trials "identified significant installation and maintenance issues," the government said.

Cooper, who had been a friend of Nakahara, told The Australian newspaper in July that such a barrier would be a waste

of money.

"We still go out there without the net, at our own choice. I don't think there is any need for it," Cooper told The Australian.

Wright said he was in discussions with the state government yesterday to fund surveillance drones to scan the beaches. Tourism is Ballina's biggest industry and an increase in shark attacks and scares have reduced visitor numbers in recent months.

State Premier Mike Baird said drones would be sent to Ballina and his government was testing other shark protection technologies.

"We can't guarantee, clearly,

at any beach, that people will be safe. But we'll do everything we can," Baird told reporters.

All beaches around Ballina, which is on the east coast 600 kilometers north of Sydney, will be closed for 24 hours after the attack, police said.

The last fatal attack in Australia was in June, when a 60-year-old diver was killed by a large shark off the west coast city of Perth.

Less than a week earlier, a 29-year-old surfer died after his leg was bitten off south of Perth.

Australia has averaged fewer than two deadly attacks per year in recent decades. **AP**

First Australian business delegation in 14 years to visit Iran

AUSTRALIA'S trade minister will lead the country's first business delegation to visit Iran in 14 years after sanctions over Tehran's nuclear program were eased.

Steven Ciobo said he will leave today for the visit that will include reopening an Australian trade office that closed in 2010.

Ciobo said he will be accompanied by 20 representatives of Australian

companies, with expertise in health, water management, agribusiness, mining, education and training.

Two-way trade between Australia and Iran fluctuated between 350 million Australian dollars (USD270 million) and AUD600 million a year while Australian sanctions were in place, he said.

"With the sanctions ea-

sing, there is [...] significant potential for that figure to move north of there," Ciobo told Australian Broadcasting Corp. yesterday.

"There are still challenges," he said, citing Iran's difficulty in fully reconnecting to the international financial system.

Australian eased sanctions in January after Iran implemented its nuclear pact.

The Joint Comprehen-

sive Plan of Action outlined what Tehran had to do to pull back its nuclear program from the brink of weapons-making capacity. And it spelled out the West's obligations to end many financial, trade and oil sanctions that had battered Iran's economy.

Mark Vaile, the trade minister at the time, led Australia's last business delegation to Iran in 2002. **AP**



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USA

Bomb case is latest hardship for New Jersey's large Muslim community

AT the Islamic Center of Passaic County, which draws about 2,000 people each Friday for communal prayers, the talk is about how this year is different.

After the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks, people of other faiths in the surrounding community were generally able to see the difference between the radical perpetrators and American Muslims, said Omar Awad, president of the center. But he suggested that distinction seems to be blurring in the public mind amid the anti-Muslim rhetoric of the presidential campaign and growing anger over terrorist strikes in Europe and the United States, the latest allegedly plotted by a New Jersey Muslim.

"They're trying to strike fear between neighbors, between the very fabric of society that we spent so much time trying to make sure that we knitted," said Awad, a New Jersey native, sitting in the offices of the 27-year-old Paterson mosque.

Like Muslims around the country, New Jersey's have been slogging through a particularly painful year.

On the campaign trail, the Republican presidential nominee, Donald Trump, falsely claimed that Muslims in Jersey City celebrated when the World Trade Center fell, as he sought to promote a proposed national database for Muslims and increased surveillance of mosques.

Gov. Chris Christie, who once sharply dismissed those who questioned the loyalty of a Muslim judicial appointee, has endorsed Trump.

And now New Jersey Muslims are facing the broad scrutiny that follows when someone in their community is suspected of being a militant. Ahmad Khan Rahami, a U.S. citizen born in Afghanistan, who worked at his family's chicken takeout restaurant in Elizabeth, has been charged by federal officials in two states with planting bombs in New York and at a military charity run and a train station in New Jersey. Federal authorities said he praised Muslim extremists and prayed he'd be martyred.

"I don't want the stigma to go out that there's some kind of issue in Elizabeth, that it's a hotbed for people with radical ideas, because it's not," said Hassen Abedallah, an attorney and Elizabeth native, who is president of the Darul Islam mosque in the city.

Abedallah said he was "in shock" when he learned that Rahami was being sought by police. Abedallah could not say for sure whether Rahami had ever worshipped at Darul Islam, but said the suspect could have passed through, since many Muslims in the community at one time or another have attended Friday prayers there.

It is the latest difficulty for one



AP PHOTO People leave Bernards Township Community Center after a prayer service

of the larger Muslim communities in the United States. Muslims comprise about 1 percent of the U.S. population, but make up about 3 percent of the residents in New Jersey, according to the Pew Research Center. New Jersey Muslims are predominantly African-American, Arab or South Asian, plus Muslim asylum seekers from the Balkans and elsewhere. Several Muslims serve as state judges and mayors, among other public positions.

In Elizabeth, Muslims have had a presence since at least the mid-20th century, developing mainly from a community of African-American Muslims and eventually growing to encompass immigrants from around the world, Abedallah said. Friday prayer at Darul Islam can draw as many as 500 people.

The Sept. 11 attacks hit hard in New Jersey. Hundreds of victims of the suicide hijackings came from the state. In the aftermath, Muslim leaders joined with other religious and community leaders to quell any backlash. Mohammad Ali Chaudry, a Pakistani-born economist who had lived in New Jersey since the 1970s, ran for public office in 2001 in Basking Ridge and said he encountered no bias.

"Not a single person during that walking campaign, going door to door, asked me what my religion was," said Chaudry, who went on to serve on the township committee and, eventually, as mayor. "They were concerned about what am I going to do about the deer problem. We have a lot of

deer. How am I going to keep taxes down?"

Still, suspicion followed the community. Reports by The Associated Press revealed that the New York Police Department had been monitoring the daily life of Muslims in New Jersey, New York and beyond, including monitoring the Muslim Students Association at Rutgers University in New Brunswick, and Muslim businesses and mosques in Newark. New York City has since settled lawsuits accusing the department of waging a covert campaign of religious profiling and illegal spying.

"People felt very uncomfortable knowing that they are part of society but not really accepted as being part of the society," said Mikal Nash, a professor at Essex County College in Newark and author of "Muslims in Newark, New Jersey: A Social History."

New Jersey also found itself at the center of movement against Islamic law, or Shariah, in the U.S., after a state judge denied a woman a restraining order against her husband, who she said beat and sexually assaulted her. The judge said the husband's Islamic religious views meant he believed he was entitled to sexual relations at any time with his wife — legal reasoning that Muslim law experts rejected and a ruling an appellate court later reversed. Yet, the case was seized on by advocates for bans on Islamic law in other states.

In New Jersey, the number of anti-Muslim hate crimes repor-

ted to the government remains low but is increasing, rising from four in 2014 to 14 last year, according to researchers at the Center for the Study of Hate and Extremism at California State University, Bernardino. But tensions can be seen in the vocal resistance to building mosques in some communities, with an ongoing fight in Bayonne and another in Basking Ridge that has stretched over four years and is now in court.

Christie's political pivot has been especially disheartening for New Jersey Muslims. They had viewed the governor as a reliable ally. Five years ago, he drew notice for slamming critics of his decision to appoint an American Muslim, Sohail Mohammed, to the Superior Court. "They're criticizing him because he's a Muslim American," Christie said, condemning conspiracists who argued Mohammed would bring Islamic law into state courts.

"This Shariah law business is crap. It's just crazy. And I'm tired of dealing with the crazies," Christie said.

Chaudry, a longtime Republican, said he was stunned when the governor backed Trump this year. Chaudry had worked with the New Jersey attorney general's office on Muslim outreach and was appointed by Christie to a state commission on public service. But because of Trump, he left the GOP to join the Democrats, and has since been heavily involved in registering Muslims to vote, conducting outreach after Friday juma, or communal prayers, and surrounding the recent celebration of the Eid al-Adha holiday. He is also coordina-

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MIKAL NASH
PROFESSOR, ESSEX COUNTY COLLEGE

ting public speaker training for young people at his mosque.

"You have to be at the decision table," Chaudry said.

Despite the tumult, and the glare from the Rahami case, New Jersey Muslims are persevering. The Islamic Center in Paterson is encouraging families to attend a holiday celebration called "Great Muslim Adventure Day" at the Six Flags amusement park in New Jersey. And next weekend in Elizabeth, where Rahami lived, more than 300 people are expected to attend the sixth annual meeting of the American Muslim Consumer Consortium, on marketing to Muslims and commemorating their achievements in the business world.

"I encourage Donald Trump and his supporters to come and see what the real American Muslim community in the U.S. is all about," said Sabiha Ansari, a co-founder of the conference. "We are just as patriotic, proud and American as anyone else." AP

HOUSTON AUTHORITIES: SIX WOUNDED IN SHOOTING; SUSPECT DEAD

HOUSTON AUTHORITIES say a gunman who wounded six people at a strip mall on the city's southwest side yesterday is dead. The Houston Police Department said via Twitter the suspect was "DOA" at the contained scene. An hour earlier, they tweeted authorities had shot the suspect. Fire Department Assistant Chief Richard Mann said six people were wounded. A couple of them were taken to a hospital, while the others have less serious injuries. Circumstances of the shooting, which happened about 6:30 a.m.

yesterday (Houston time), were not immediately clear, although some witnesses have described the gunman firing dozens of shots at cars passing through the neighborhood before he was engaged by police. Several cars with bullet holes and shattered windows were at a nearby strip mall parking lot. The shooting comes days after a shooting at a Washington state mall that left five people dead. On Sept. 17, a 20-year-old man stabbed 10 people at a Minnesota mall before being shot to death by an off-duty police officer.

what's ON

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Offbeat

PYTHON WRAPPED AROUND ARMREST HALTS JAPANESE 'BULLET' TRAIN



A passenger spotted a python curled around the armrest of another passenger's seat on a Japanese high-speed Shinkansen "bullet" train, forcing the train to make an unscheduled stop.

No one was injured in the incident yesterday. The train's operator, JR Tokai, said the passenger sitting in the reserved seat was unaware that the python was wrapped around the armrest for about 50 minutes until the person behind him saw it and notified a conductor.

The super-express train made an unscheduled stop at Hamamatsu station and railway police removed the snake in about a minute.

It said the train left the station and arrived in Hiroshima, its destination, on time.

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22 SEP - 28 SEP

EQUALS

ROOM 1

2.15, 5.45, 9.30 pm

Director: Drake Doremus

Starring: Kristen Stewart, Nicholas Hoult, Guy Pearce, Jacki Weaver

Language: English (Cantonese)

Duration: 101min

NINE LIVES

ROOM 1

4.05, 7.45 pm

Director: Barry Sonnenfeld

Starring: Kevin Spacey, Jennifer Garner, Christopher Walken

Language: English (Cantonese)

Duration: 96min

SULLY

ROOM 2

2.15, 4.00, 5.45, 9.30 pm

Director: Clint Eastwood, Aaron Eckhart

Starring: Tom Hanks

Language: English (Cantonese)

Duration: 96min

TRAIN TO BUSAN

ROOM 2

7.30 pm

Director: Yeon Sang-ho

Starring: Gong Yoo, Jung Tu-mi, Ma Dong-seok

Language: Korean (Cantonese/English)

Duration: 97min



BLAIR WITCH

ROOM 3

2.30, 6.30, 9.30 pm

Director: Adam Wingard

Starring: James Allen McCune, Brandon Scott, Callie Hernandez

Language: English (Cantonese)

Duration: 89min

S STORM

ROOM 3

4.15, 7.45 pm

Director: David Lam

Starring: Louis Koo, Julian Cheung, vic Chou, Ada Choi

Language: Cantonese (Cantonese/English)

Duration: 97min

MACAU TOWER

15 SEP - 28 SEP

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2.30, 4.30, 7.30, 9.30 pm

Director: Clint Eastwood, Aaron Eckhart

Starring: Tom Hanks

Language: English (Cantonese)

Duration: 96min

this day in history



1968 MUSICAL HAIR OPENS AS CENSORS WITHDRAW

The American hippy musical "Hair" has opened in London - one day after the abolition of theatre censorship.

Until yesterday, some of the scenes in the musical, written by out-of-work actors Gerome Ragni and James Rado, would have been considered too outrageous to be shown on a stage in Britain.

The show, billed as an American tribal love-rock musical, first opened in New York on 2 December last year.

Many were angered by scenes containing nudity and drug-taking as well as a strong anti-war message at the height of the Vietnam conflict and the desecration of the American flag on stage.

The show's transfer to London's West End would not have been possible before the new Theatres Act which ended the Lord Chamberlain's powers of censorship dating back to 1737.

Prime Minister Sir Robert Walpole introduced play censorship to silence shows like The Beggars' Opera which contained biting anti-government satire.

The new Theatres Act does not give playwrights a completely free hand. Strong language and obscenity will still be liable for criminal prosecution.

Hair does contain some blasphemous and sexually explicit language.

But the scene that has aroused most controversy in the musical so far is where the cast appears on stage in the nude, emerging from beneath a vast sheet.

The director of the London production of Hair, Tom O'Horgan, said: "I think that the famed nude scene has been greatly over-emphasised.

"It has very little importance in the show itself and much of the publicity has obscured the important aspects of the play, which are also perhaps shocking to people because they deal with things as they are. We tell it the way it is."

Asked whether the timing of the opening was significant, he said: "We couldn't have done the play the way we're doing it prior to this time without drastic modifications."

The cast of the West End production appeared on Eamonn Andrews Independent Television show last night but decided against performing the nude scene. Mr O'Horgan said it would have given the wrong impression of the show.

Hair had a shaky start in New York. Its first two runs were cut short before producer Michael Butler became involved. He brought in Tom O'Horgan as director.

It took three months to re-vamp the musical - and when it finally appeared at the Biltmore on Broadway it had 19 songs in the first act compared with just nine in the original production.

Courtesy BBC News

IN CONTEXT

Hair ran on Broadway until 1 July 1972, when it closed after 1,742 performances.

It played to mixed reviews across the United States and was the subject of at least two prominent court battles, in Boston, Massachusetts in 1970 and Chattanooga, Tennessee in 1975. In Britain, the play also opened to mixed reviews.

Drama critic Irving Wardle writing in The Times said: "Nothing else remotely like it has yet struck the West End. Its honesty and passion give it the quality of a true theatrical celebration - the joyous sound of a group of people telling the world exactly what they feel."

Another critic writing in The Telegraph said the "taboo-flouting seemed too defiant".

The actor Oliver Tobias starred in the West End production. He subsequently took the show to Israel and Holland.

Despite the initial controversy, there have been numerous revivals of Hair.

YOUR STARS

Aries

Mar. 21-Apr. 19

A quick wave of selfishness passes over you today, forcing you to rethink something that had once seemed ironclad.

Taurus

April 20-May 20

Spice up your life with a new activity or a new way of doing something important.

Gemini

May 21-Jun. 21

You're too enthusiastic about all the new ideas that come to you today - but that just means that other folks need to take them on after you've got them started.

Cancer

Jun. 22-Jul. 22

A problem at home could interfere with your focus at work or at school.

Leo

Jul. 23-Aug. 22

If you are out on a date tonight or otherwise connecting with someone new, you should find that your social energies just click.

Virgo

Aug. 23-Sept. 22

Be extra careful with your wallet today - you need to avoid the temptation to spend your troubles away.

Libra

Sep.23-Oct. 22

Have fun with people today - even those you've never met! Flirt outrageously with that cute bus driver or new barista and just enjoy each minute without worrying about the next.

Scorpio

Oct. 23 - Nov. 21

You've got a lot of factors to consider today - which could make decisions harder to come by.

Sagittarius

Nov. 22-Dec. 21

Today is all about preparations - you've got to take some time out in order to ensure that you're ready for what's coming next.

Capricorn

Dec. 22-Jan. 19

Even if you're really happy at work, now is a good time to redo your online profile or resume and see what else is out there.

Aquarius

Jan. 20-Feb. 18

Your big brain is itching for new information - so make sure that you're feeding it with a steady diet of the best news, analysis and wit you can find.

Pisces

Feb.19-Mar. 20

Things are starting to get weird between you and a romantic or business partner - or anyone else who's close enough to know your quirks.

THE BORN LOSER by Chip Sansom



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FOOTBALL | CHAMPIONS LEAGUE PREVIEW

Will Cristiano Ronaldo show another type of reaction?

CRISTIANO Ronaldo's anger could work in Real Madrid's favor. The Portugal winger was visibly upset when he came off in the 72nd minute of the 2-2 league draw at Las Palmas. Madrid coach Zinedine Zidane said he pulled Ronaldo to rest him for today's [Wed, 2:45am] match against Borussia Dortmund in the Champions League.

Ronaldo did not play well but he did set up one goal and he is likely to be eager to dispel any doubts about his and the team's form in the match against Dortmund. Two consecutive draws in the Spanish league and Ronaldo's little rant have put Real Madrid on the verge of an early crisis.

With 97 goals in the Champions League, Ronaldo is close to becoming the first player to score a century in the elite club competition.

Wednesday, 2:45am
Monaco v Leverkusen
H 2.5, D 3.45, A 3.1

GROUP E - Monaco, which hosts Bayer Leverkusen, is sweating on the fitness of striker Radamel Falcao, who is recovering from a concussion sustained in a midweek French league defeat against Nice.

Monaco said Falcao has resumed training but on an adjusted program as he continues his recovery.

The 30-year-old Colombia striker has made a decent start to the season with three goals in six games.

Leverkusen escaped another Bundesliga embarrassment when Javier "Chicharito" Hernandez scored a hat trick in Mainz for a 3-2 win.

Leverkusen drew 2-2 with CSKA Moscow to open its Champions League campaign, while Monaco won 2-1 at Tottenham.

Security will be in tight in Moscow for the arrival of Tottenham. Russian and English fans fought each other on the streets of Marseille before their national teams played at the European Championship in June, and in the stands after



the final whistle. CSKA's fans have a record of racism and violence.

Tottenham arrives without injured forward Harry Kane, though Son Heung-min has deputized recently with some success.

CSKA's main concerns will be at the back, with an aging center-back pairing and a goalkeeper, Igor Akinfeev, who has not kept a clean sheet in the Champions League in 10 years. The

Russian champions have one win from their last four games in all competitions.

Wednesday, 2:45am
Dortmund v Real Madrid
H 2.6, D 3.75, A 2.77

GROUP F - Borussia Dortmund opened its campaign with a 6-0 win over Legia Warsaw and followed with 14 goals in its next three Bundesliga ma-

tches.

New signings Raphael Guerreiro, Ousmane Dembele and Emre Mor are getting plenty of playing time and are living up to expectations, while striker Pierre-Emerick Aubameyang already has five goals in five matches in the Bundesliga.

But Aubameyang is nursing a left-ankle injury, while backup Adrian Ramos and defender Marc Bartra have groin problems. Forward Andre Schuerle is back in training after a knee sprain.

Dortmund has won its last three home matches against Real Madrid and has never lost at its stadium against the 11-time Champions League winners in five matches.

Zidane will not be able to count on left back Marcelo and defensive midfielder Casemiro because of injuries, but central defender Pepe is set to return to the lineup.

Legia seeks to bounce back with a new coach, Jacek Magiera, who has replaced Besnik Hasi. But Sporting Lisbon also needs a win after losing 2-1 at Real Madrid.

Wednesday, 2:45am
Leicester v FC Porto
H 2.3, D 3.4, A 3.55

GROUP G - Leicester manager Claudio Raniero has swatted away suggestions that his players are saving their best for the Champions League this season.

Results may show otherwise. The English champions have lost 4-1 in the Premier League the weekend before their first two matches in the Champions League, first to Liverpool and on Saturday to Manchester United.

With Europe in mind, Ranieri even took Jamie Vardy and Riyad Mahrez off at halftime

against United — with Leicester 4-0 down and seemingly no way back.

After the drubbing by Liverpool, Leicester responded by easing past Club Brugge 3-0 in its first ever game in the Champions League and next faces FC Porto. Porto hasn't won any of its 16 matches away to English opposition in the competition.

FC Copenhagen, which opened with an impressive 1-1 draw at Porto, is at home against Brugge. They last met in the group stage of the Europa League in 2014, with Brugge winning 4-0 in Denmark.

Wednesday, 2:45am
Din Zagreb v Juventus
H 1.3, D 6.05, A 1.3

GROUP H - Dinamo Zagreb, which lost 3-0 at Lyon, is another team with a new coach. Zlatko Kranjcar was replaced by Zeljko Sopic after a 5-2 domestic league loss at Rijeka.

Dinamo hosts Juventus, which was held to a 0-0 draw by Sevilla in its opener.

Juventus has lost Daniele Rugani and Kwadwo Asamoah for six weeks, both with right-knee injuries. It is a blow for the five-time Serie A champions, since Medhi Benatia and Claudio Marchisio are also injured.

Sevilla hosts Lyon in the other match.

Lyon is missing striker Alexandre Lacazette, who is nursing a thigh injury. Lacazette scored 48 league goals in the past two seasons and had six in four matches to start the latest campaign.

In his absence, Lyon coach Bruno Genesio must decide whether to play roaming forward Nabil Fekir as a central striker or give that role to 19-year-old Maxwell Cornet, who scored in the win over Dinamo. **AP / Oddschecker.com**

TENNIS

Halep into third round at Wuhan Open

FORMER French Open finalist Simona Halep took less than 70 minutes to reach the third round of the Wuhan Open, advancing yesterday when fellow Romanian Irina-Camelia Begu retired in the second set of their second-round

match.

The No. 4-seeded Halep was leading 6-3, 2-0 when Begu retired with a back injury amid warm and humid conditions. Halep, who skipped the Pan Pacific Open in Tokyo last week because of a hamstring strain, had a first-

round bye at Wuhan.

In first-round matches, 2014 champion Petra Kvitova opened with a 6-1, 6-3 win over Jelena Ostapenko and set up a meeting with Elina Svitolina, who rallied from a break down in the third set to beat Bethanie Mat-

tek-Sands 4-6, 6-3, 6-4.

"This was the fourth time we've played this season and I'm glad now it's 2-2," Kvitova said. "I know how difficult it can be to play her and how dangerous she is."

No. 10-seeded Dominika Cibulkova had a 6-2, 2-6,

6-3 win over Alize Cornet and Yulia Putintseva was leading 6-1, 4-1 when Anastasija Sevastova retired from their match.

Johanna Konta, the 11th seed, had a 6-1, 6-2 win over Annika Beck, and Madison Brengle advanced after leading 6-3, 2-1 when British qualifier Heather Watson retired because of a stomach complaint.

Top-seeded Angelique

Kerber is in action on Tuesday against Kristina Mladenovic, who had a 7-6 (5), 6-3 first-round win over CoCo Vandeweghe.

Serena Williams, who was replaced by Kerber at No. 1 in the rankings with her run to the U.S. Open title, has withdrawn from the tournaments in Wuhan and Beijing because of an injured right shoulder. **AP**

opinion

Our Desk
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DISCRIMINATION IN THE COMMUNITY

Here in Macau, I seldom hear nor see residents discriminate each other, may it be against age, physical features or career; but apparently, some non-Chinese residing in the city tend to discriminate among themselves.

We live in a region where there are a substantial number of Mainlanders, Filipinos, Vietnamese and Indonesians.

In general outsiders tend to stereotype members of these four nationalities as either construction workers or domestic helpers.

Although I am assured that the majority of the latter three nationalities work in the household sector, it is still arrogant for individuals to instantly regard them as 'maids.'

Surprisingly, at least for the Filipino community, stereotyping and discrimination tend to be largely present between the residents and the non-residents (i.e., Filipino BIR and non-BIR holders).

Some Filipino residents believe they are entitled to obtain jobs with higher wages than their compatriots, who "only" have working permits, and this results in Filipino blue cardholders acquiring an inferiority complex.

A friend of mine used to work at a remittance company as a teller. I believe the firm only accepts a maximum of PHP100,000 per transaction, and customers would be asked to show a valid ID issued by the SAR.

"Can I have your blue card?" she asked, only to find the customer disappointed with how my friend thought she held a working permit.

This issue may not be known to the other three nationalities, but for the Filipino community, there is a shameful mentality that the blue cardholders are inferior to the BIR holders.

When did Macau residents, but still holders of Filipino passports, become superior to the blue cardholders?

The appalling mindset even includes criticizing a Macau ID holder for dating a non-permit holder.

"Ah! He will only marry her for the ID, that's for sure."

"She's so lucky, she'd instantly be a Macau resident and be entitled to all the government's subsidies."

How pathetic is that?

Anyway, speaking of stereotyping, I have encountered several people who have asked me whether I was "stay in" or "stay out", my employer Portuguese or Chinese, whether I take my employer's kids to school, and if my boss pays for my tickets to the Philippines when I take vacation?

There is nothing offensive in those questions but it saddens me that we're automatically assumed to belong to the domestic labor force.

I read an article stating that "some Filipinos, fearing that they might be stereotyped in one way or another, might not even want to associate with other Filipinos overseas."

I agree. Not because I have experienced it, but because of how such stereotyping can affect the way the stereotyped perceive themselves.

An example of discrimination abroad? I went to Beijing to cover a movie premiere. Tons of fans, along with the press, were waiting for the celebrities to walk on the red carpet. While chatting with a young lady, she asked, "Where are you from?" "I'm from the Philippines," I proudly said. "Woah, and you're a journalist in Macau?!" she asked in a shocked manner.

I was furious but I knew I had to brush it off.

These examples and experiences may sound silly, but such stereotypes can inhibit victims' confidence in their own ability to perform professional or non-professional roles.

I believe they should be seen for their potential - what they can do - and not what others think that they should be doing.

THE BUZZ IRAN SAYS SOME SANCTIONS UNDER NUCLEAR DEAL STILL IN PLACE

The head of Iran's atomic energy organization is asserting that Tehran remains under some sanctions that were supposed to be removed through a landmark nuclear agreement with six world powers.

Ali Akbar Salehi says his country is honoring all its commitments but that "comprehensive and ex-

pedition removal of all sanctions" outlined in the agreement "have yet to be met."

The deal with the United States, Russia, China, Britain, France and Germany constrains Iranian nuclear programs that could be used to make weapons in exchange for sanctions lifting. It took force this year.

MIT's flea market specializes in rare, obscure electronics



Joel Goldberg, of Newton, Mass., browses MIT's Radio Society flea market on the campus of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge

Collin Binkley, Cambridge (Mass.)

ONCE a month in the summer, a small parking lot on the Massachusetts Institute of Technology's campus transforms into a high-tech flea market known for its outlandish offerings. Tables overflow with antique radio equipment, some of it a century old. Visitors can buy a telescope that's the size of a cannon. One man has hauled in a NASA space capsule he owns.

It's known as Swapfest, a place where tinkerers from across New England go to buy and sell the gadgets they can't find in stores. Some arrive searching for parts to build robots. Others are amateur radio enthusiasts adding to their collections. For some, it's simply an outdoor museum of the strange and surprising.

"You can pretty much find all things nerdy," said Steve Finberg, an MIT

alumnus and longtime organizer, who arrives every month wearing a cowboy hat and a bushy beard. "The flea is where you go to buy the stuff you didn't know you needed."

The event started 30 years ago as a campus fundraiser for student radio clubs at MIT. It still supports those groups, but it's grown far bigger. Sellers now drive from hours away to hawk their goods, some arriving the night before to claim marquee spots for their tables. Hundreds of shoppers come to browse every month.

"It's the high-tech community in Boston that makes it unique," said Finberg, who's also an engineer at an MIT-affiliated research lab. "People will bring surplus runs from production at some facility which dumped a project, and you'll find resistors that cost big bucks being sold for a dime apiece."

Some of the vendors are professionals, there to buy and sell electronics for a

living. Others are amateurs, mostly there to clear out their garages. They all get the same warning: It's considered taboo to sell furniture, clothes or other typical yard-sale fare. The Swapfest has a charter explicitly barring it from becoming a general flea market.

Since the beginning, the event been held the third Sunday of the month, from April through October. Its tables fill a surface lot next to an MIT power plant, with dozens more in a nearby parking garage.

Among the crowd this weekend were Neel Shah and Sasha Berisheva, two juniors at Northeastern University who are building a car that runs on chemical reactions. It's part of an annual competition at their university, and they came to rummage through boxes of electronic baubles, hoping to find capacitors for their project.

Among the items for sale at the latest gathering: an ultrasound machine, like those used to capture images of unborn infants, and a dish antenna, said to be plucked from a 1960s fighter jet.

One man, Tom Perera, routinely brings his collection of Engima machines, the ciphering devices that Germans used to pass coded messages in World War II. AP

Station	Air quality
Roadside	70-100 Moderate
High Density Residential Area	80-110 Bad
Ambient	90-120 Bad

SOURCE: DSMG

WORLD BRIEFS

NEPAL A prominent local journalist who helped organize a gathering in Nepal of investigative reporters from throughout Asia was notably absent from the event, exiled to avoid possible arrest.



TURKEY's state-run news agency says Kurdish rebels have detonated a roadside bomb in southeast Turkey, killing two security force members and wounding eight others. Anadolu Agency says yesterday's blast targeted soldiers and village guards traveling on a highway in Mardin province, near the Syrian border.

NIGERIA Shell Nigeria is refusing to confirm a report by Niger Delta militants that they have bombed its Bonny oil pipeline in the south, crippling its exports.

POLAND A Russian citizen suspected of flying a drone over Polish government buildings has been detained for questioning, Polish security officials said yesterday. Warsaw police spokesman Mariusz Mrozek said the man was detained on allegations he violated Poland's law that bans flying drones in cities and near airports without permission, for safety reasons.

GERMANY Berlin police say a 43-year-old Norwegian tourist is in custody after biting off part of the ear of a man who tried to break up a fight between him and a dark-skinned German passenger he'd allegedly taunted as being a terrorist. The intoxicated tourist allegedly accused the other passenger in English of being a terrorist and asking if he had a bomb.

MEXICO A lawyer for Mexican drug lord Joaquin "El Chapo" Guzman says he will argue that his client has been the victim of torture. Attorney Jose Refugio Rodriguez says the Sinaloa cartel boss' treatment in prison is tantamount to torture.

THE DECISIVE MOMENT

Xinhua/Then Chih Wey



Several smooth-coated otters cross a running and cycling path last week at eastern Singapore's Gardens by the Bay. Singapore's National Parks Board set up signboards to remind people to watch out crossing otters.