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CHINA's auto sales soared 26.3 percent in August over a year earlier, an industry group reported Friday, driven by demand for smaller cars and the impending end of a sales tax cut.

TAIWAN Prosecutors have closed their investigation into a July bus crash that killed all 26 people on board, including 23 Chinese tourists, saying the driver was suicidal and that they found no evidence of a mechanical failure.

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NORTH KOREA's latest nuclear test, its most powerful to date, is a game-changer, according to the country's government. The statement may indicate North Korea feels it can confidently build miniaturized warheads, mass-produce those weapons and then deploy them on ballistic missiles.

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HK tourist dies in motorcycle accident in Thailand

A Hong Kong man died on Saturday afternoon after being involved in a road accident in Thailand's resort island of Ko Samui, SCMP reported. The 22-year-old man, together with a woman also from Hong Kong, was involved in a motorcycle crash with another vehicle in one of the roads on the surroundings of Lamai Viewpoint, where he was pronounced dead shortly after in the hospital. The woman suffered serious head injuries as well injuries to other parts of her body and she is receiving medical treatment at a local hospital. The Hong Kong Immigration Department said in a statement that it has been in touch with the both of the tourists' relatives and some of them were to fly to Thailand yesterday afternoon to follow up closely on the situation.

Online media company suspects hacking

Online media company, Macau Concealers, suspects that its website has been the target of an online attack by mainland China. The website had suddenly begun to register a whopping wave of requests, as of last Monday. The company and the New Macau Association's website have both been dealing with a great volume of requests. Out of the 91,543 visitors recorded in the 24 hours between Wednesday and Thursday, 73,917 of them originated from mainland China. The news outlet now requires all traffic from mainland China to access the website through the input of a code that has to be entered manually.

30 detained during 'Operation Thunderstorm'

Thirty people were detained Saturday night as part of "Operation Thunderstorm." According to information released by the police, the identity of 1,080 people was verified during raids conducted in karaoke bars, pubs and casinos.

LAST week, China Tourism Academy and UnionPay International released the Annual Report on China's Outbound Tourism (2016). This latest report shows that China's visitors to Macau increased by 17.1 percent in 2015, marking the greatest recorded growth of mainland tourists compared to Taiwan.

Macau, along with Hong Kong and Taiwan, continue to be the top three travel destinations for Mainland China's tourists. Around 85 million tourist arrivals have been recorded in the three regions, representing an increase of 18.47 percent year-on-year. The number accounts for 73.3 percent of China's outbound tourism in 2015.

The top ten destinations following the aforementioned regions are Thailand, South Korea, Japan, Vietnam, the US, Singapore, Russia, Australia, Indonesia and Malaysia.

With respect to other regions, Thailand and Japan have seen

China's outbound tourists to Macau increased 17.1 percent



the greatest growth in terms of Chinese tourists, with 88 percent more Chinese visiting both countries.

The number of Chinese outbound tourists hit 117 million last year, which represents an increase of 9.8 percent year-on-year. However, the growth is way much smaller than that registered in 2014, when a 20 percent yearly increase was recorded.

Dean of China's Tourism Academy, Dai Bin, predicted Chinese outbound tourists to increase by 11.5 percent, reaching the mark of 133 million in 2016. Bin also believes that China's outbound tourism market will continue to grow steadily.

Comic arts conference organizers cancel local event

THE International Comic Artist Conference (ICC) has canceled Macau's position to host the 17th International Comic Artist Conference, which was planned to take place in Macau this October, according to a report by Macau Concealers.

The conference's committee released a statement on September 2 saying that the chosen organizer, Macau Comickers Asso-

ciation (MCA), has "made mistakes regarding basic rules." The conference also blamed the city for the "great changes" that happened after Macau was awarded the role of host city in 2014.

So far, MCA has not informed the public regarding having lost the hosting right. Moreover, MCA is promoting another event named "Asia-Pacific Conference of

Comic Artists Macau 2016" on its Facebook page.

In particular, ICC clarified that the aforementioned conference has nothing to do with the ICC.

The 17th ICC was initially supposed to be hosted by mainland China. However, ICC China claims to have given the hosting opportunity to Macau in order to support the city's comics industry.

Earlier, while manifesting its support of MCA in organizing the event, the Fundo Das Indústrias Culturais granted MCA MOP280,000 in subsidies.

CULTURE | MUSIC

Costello performs debut, doubles down with hint of return

LEGENDARY singer-songwriter Elvis Costello performed live on Friday night at the Macau Cultural Center's Grand Auditorium. The show marks the singer's debut in Macau, who has dropped hints recently that he would like to return to perform over a longer duration.

Costello, who was ranked as one of the 100 Greatest Artists of All Time in 2004 by Rolling Stone magazine, stepped up with a well-balanced line-up, merging some of his most well-known hits with newly-written material.

The singer also brought conversation and humor to the performance in between solo



renditions of his songs, which were played on the guitar and the piano.

On a number of occasions throughout the concert, Costello dropped hints regarding his intention to return to Macau.

After playing a preview song from one of the three musicals that the artist is said to have been working on for the last few years, Costello joked that he would like to bring the performance to the MSAR, hinting that one of Sands China's resorts might be a suitable venue.

The approximately 90-minute performance was well received on Friday, with Costello receiving standing ovations from enthusiastic audience members.

Shortly before Costello took to the stage, jazz musician Mars Lei hosted a talk at the Cultural Center on the iconic artist's music and career.

Widely known for his unmistakable interpretation of "She", soundtrack to the "Notting Hill" movie back in 1999, Costello shot to stardom two decades earlier, thrust by the new wave and punk movements. His creative restlessness would rush him through a wide spectrum of pop hits and complex orchestral arrangements.

Friday night's performance was the fourth stop of his 2016 Asian tour. After Macau, Costello will continue his tour in Singapore and Taipei. **DB**

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Muslims celebrate Eid al-Adha today

MUSLIMS in Macau will be gathering this morning at 10 a.m. at the Macau Mosque on Ramal dos Mouros to celebrate the Islamic festival of Eid al-Adha.

According to community member Adnan Nasim, Muslims in Macau celebrate the festival a little differently to other parts of the world. The morning will begin with prayers, followed by tea and breakfast served in the courtyard of the Mosque. Adnan stated yesterday that families will stay there until late-afternoon today.

He also said that early tomorrow morning an animal sacrifice will be conducted at the Macau slaughterhouse at Fai Chi Kei. The meat will be brought back to the Mosque for distribution and consumption.

Eid al-Adha honors the biblical figure of Abraham who agreed to sacrifice his son as an act of submission to God. It is the latter of the two Eid holidays, with the former being Eid al-Fitr.

FOOD SAFETY

HK investigates mooncakes red-flagged in Macau

Daniel Beitler

HONG Kong health officials have launched an investigation after Macau's food safety authority found samples of a carcinogenic substance in mooncakes sold by a Hong Kong bakery, Hang Heung Cake Shop, and a hotel in Macau (Pousada Marina Infante).

Mooncakes at the Pousada Marina Infante were prepared in the hotel's "Fortune Palace" restaurant, which has now recalled some 90 boxes of the 131 that they had sold.

The chemical is thought to be harmful even in small quantities and is regarded as one of the most potent carcinogens known. Experts warn that consuming a large quantity of the substance in a short period of time may lead to acute poisoning.

A sample of the cakes from Hang Heung Cake Shop was red-flagged in Macau after it was found to contain almost 50 percent



more aflatoxin B1 per kilogram than permitted by local food safety regulations.

Over the weekend, Under-Secretary for Food and Health, Sophia Chan said that Hong Kong health authorities are now testing the samples to determine whether they breach local regulations. She added that so far more than 170 samples have been tested and all have complied with food safety rules, but the recent findings in Macau were alarming.

Chan also promised that, if a food safety violation is detected,

the public would be informed of the results immediately as it would present a risk to the population.

She did not specify whether the products have been pulled from the shelves pending the investigation.

The two territories employ different tolerance standards for aflatoxin B1, which is found in various foods such as peanuts, corn and other grains.

The presence of aflatoxin B1 from the Hang Heung bakery sample reached 7.48 micrograms per kilogram in testing, signifi-

cantly exceeding the maximum amount stipulated by Macau regulations of 5 micrograms.

Meanwhile the tolerance level established by Hong Kong's Center for Food Safety is 15 micrograms per kilogram for all food other than peanuts and their derivative products.

According to numerous reports, Hang Heung Cake Shop have stressed that its mooncakes in its domestic market of Hong Kong, meet local food safety standards. The company adds that the product may have exceeded the tolerance level for Macau as some of its bakers were unaware that the two territories employ different regulations.

Several countries worldwide have regulations to limit the amount of the chemical that may be present in human and animal food. The United Nations' World Health Organization also sets out guidelines for the maximum tolerance that it advises.

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CE arrives in Portugal for official visit

THE Chief Executive of Macau, Chui Sai On, has departed on a visit to Portugal to meet with senior government officials over the next few days.

The visit, which began on Saturday and will last until Thursday, is taking place following an invitation by the Portuguese President, Marcelo Rebelo de Sousa.

Chui, together with the Portuguese Minister of Foreign Affairs, will also preside in the next meeting of the Macau-Portugal Joint Committee, which seeks to review areas of cooperation between the two territories, including education, training of professionals, and economic services.

During meetings with Portugal's leaders, Chui is set to brief them on the latest developments of Macau, including the city's recently finalized Five-Year Development Plan. The CE will also emphasize the role that the government envisions for the MSAR as a platform for economic cooperation between China

and Portuguese-speaking countries.

Officials accompanying the CE to Portugal include Victor Chan, the director of the Government Information Bureau, Fung Sio Weng, the director of the Protocol, Public Relations and External Affairs Office, and O Tin Lin, the director of the Macao Economic and Trade Office in Lisbon.

During Chui's absence, Secretary for Administration and Justice, Sonia Chan, will be Acting Chief Executive.

The Macau-Portugal Joint Committee was established under the Framework Agreement of Cooperation between the MSAR



and the Portuguese Republic, with the aim of strengthening bilateral exchange in numerous socio-economic areas. The first meeting of the committee was held in Lisbon in April 2011. **DB**

THE University of Macau's (UM) Department of Portuguese will hold the Second Conference on Language Contact in Asia and the Pacific on Wednesday and Thursday this week.

The conference aims to provide a platform for experts and scholars to exchange knowledge from multidisciplinary research on the different facets of language contact and multilingualism in Asia and the Pacific region.

According to a statement

EDUCATION

UM to hold second edition of language conference



UM Hengqin campus

from the UM, papers in the fields of descriptive linguistics, linguistic anthropology, and other language-related areas will be presented at the conference.

The conference will include case studies on language communication primarily between the countries and territories of Taiwan, mainland China,

the Philippines, Malaysia and Indonesia. It will also examine the state of several endangered minority languages, with a focus on Malaysia, Singapore and Macau.

Conducted in English, the event will welcome several keynote speakers including Professor Peter Austin from the SOAS University of London,

Professor Lisa Lim from the University of Hong Kong and Professor Stefanie Pillai from the University of Malaya.

Meanwhile, UM has shot up in the QS World University Ranking to 545th place among the world's best 900 universities. The new standing corresponds to a jump of 123 positions over that of last year.

In the two previous annual rankings, UM sat at a position beyond the 651st place.

The ranking includes some 56 universities from mainland China and 15 tertiary education institutions from Taiwan, each of which managed a position in the top 900. Hong Kong in turn has seven schools among the top 610. **Staff reporters**

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Uber 'will continue to serve Macau'

UBER has re-affirmed their commitment to "continue to serve the riders and drivers of Macau," according to a written statement released by the company last Friday.

"The unprecedented amount of support we have received over the past few weeks has been truly overwhelming. We've heard every single one of you, and we could not be more grateful," said Uber.

Since Uber had announced its decision to leave Macau last month, several groups wrote to the government asking to help Uber remain in the territory; there was also one demonstration supporting Uber, organized earlier.

By the end of August, more than 16,600 people signed the official Uber ePetition to support the service's continued operation in the region. That numbers reached the petition's target of 20,000 a few days later. Uber drivers also independently took to the streets to conduct their own petitions.

"We have always believed we share the same goal as the Government – building a more livable and prosperous Macau with better, more reliable transportation for residents and visitors," Uber stated, adding that "we hope the Government will follow the example set by progressive, pro-innovation policy-makers around the region and the world in recognizing the role ridesharing can play in moving Macau forward."

Gov't concerned with Zika and Dengue, promotes preventive measures

IN order to prevent the occurrence of Zika and Dengue fever diseases, the government, through the Dengue fever prevention task force, is promoting several activities to raise popular awareness and knowledge about the diseases and how to prevent them.

In a statement issued on Saturday, the team has revealed that the Southeast Asian region has been registering a surge in diseases transmitted by mosquito bites, and that Macau already recorded eight imported cases of Dengue this year.

More concerning is said to be the cases of Zika, namely the 304 cases registered in Singapore which, according to the World Health Organization, represents a situation of "international public emergency."

As a preventive method, the health authorities have proceeded with several campaigns of mosquito elimination in more than 140



public spaces under the management of the Municipal Affairs Bureau since March.

In a separate statement, the Health Bureau (SSM) said they would be taking measures and searching for potential places for mosquitos' proliferation in buildings and shared spaces from the second half of September.

According to the statement, the referred inspec-

tion will take place from now until the end of the month.

The SSM performed a total of 47 tests regarding Zika, all with negative results. The tests were performed as a preventive measure to local residents that have been in locations where the virus is especially active.

Regions such as Thailand, Malaysia, Singapore, Vietnam, Philippines and Hong

Kong have already reported cases of Zika with special attention for the cases of Singapore.

The SSM highlighted that pregnant women should avoid travelling to the areas affected by the Zika virus as it is known that the infection might result in serious conditions to the unborn child, namely microcephaly and other neurological problems. **RM**

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Leading consultant exits Macau Grand Prix, slams organizers

BARRY Bland, whose Motor Race Consultants company has been coordinating Macau's Guia Circuit Formula 3 (F3) event since 1983, has announced his withdrawal from the Macau Grand Prix.

According to a report from the English edition of Autosport, the news that Bland was pulling out from the organization with immediate effect fell like a rock among F3 teams.

According to Bland, the heart of the problem is that rushed developments have become characteristic of the Macau organization.

As the media source reported, although last Friday (September 9) was the deadline for entries, on Thursday F3 teams had not yet received the sporting regulations.

Echoes of the same problem came also from some of the regular participants at the Guia Circuit, with several teams reporting communication problems and a lack of a response from the local organization. They say these problems have been going on for several months.

Sources from more than one team and from different racing events confirmed the prevalence of the problem to the Times.

In fact, according to the information releases, the problem that resulted in the abandonment of Bland is not restricted to the F3 event but all of the racing program's competitions.

Regarding the issues encountered and reasons for the withdrawal, Bland said: "The way we're now being asked to operate is not very satisfactory for us. Everything is running very late, there are a lot of unanswered questions and I don't wish to put our reputation on the block for something we're not happy with."

After the announcement, several more reactions followed.

Last year's winner Prema



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BARRY BLAND

Powerteam's head Rene Rosin said, "Clearly when we received the email from Barry [Bland] it

was a shock - he has been the key in putting everything together for Macau. We had noticed something was going on because we are very [behind] in receiving information for this year," he said, adding, "I'm trying to get some more information from the FIA to understand what's going on, because it's important for our organization."

With the exit of Bland, the troubled race organization reaches a new low with several people going as far as to question the possibility of not hosting the event this year at all. Russell Eacott, T-Sport F3 Team chief was one advancing this view, saying: "Barry's the go-to-guy - if you have a problem you go and see him; they're big shoes to fill. We've got only a few weeks until the freight leaves [that should happen during the first week of November], so time is short," he told Autosport.

In response to the concerns

on Friday, the Macau Grand Prix Organizing Committee (MGPOC) issued a statement to reassure participants.

"Preparations are continuing for this year's Suncity Group 63rd Macau Grand Prix," it read, "the Suncity Group Formula 3 Macau Grand Prix will headline the seven-race program from November 17 to 20."

"The MGPOC wishes to reassure teams, drivers, sponsors and members of the public that the race will be organized to the same high international stan-

dards as in previous years," the statement promised, adding, "the Provisional Race Program is currently being finalized and will be issued in due course. As usual, provisional entry lists will be published at the beginning of October."

The Macau Grand Prix event is this year organized for the first time by a new organization working under the Sports Bureau, with the collaboration of the Automobile General Association Macau-China (AAMC).

Until 2015 the event was organized by the Macau Grand Prix Committee, an interdepartmental government entity, which undertook the task of organizing what is sometimes considered the biggest annual event of the region and thought to be one of the largest motorsport events held in Asia.

Recently the new organization has also been the target of criticism from teams and racers for several polemic decisions, such as the opening up of the "Guia Race" to racers from China Touring Cars Championship (CTCC) and British Touring Cars Championships (BTCC), although is still uncertain if any of the racers from those categories have registered.

ROBB HUFF CONFIRMS PARTICIPATION OF THIS YEAR'S RACE

JAS MOTORSPORT'S former World Champion Rob Huff confirmed yesterday that he will race again at the Guia Circuit. Huff was speaking to TCR Asia TV in a recorded interview held during the last weekend of August in Shanghai in the midst of the TCR Asia Series event. The interview, now disclosed, confirms the participation of the racer. "It means an opportunity to get back to Macau and hopefully make it 10 wins this year," he said.

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Samsung Note 7 users urged to turn phones off due to fire risk

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USERS of Samsung Electronics Co.'s troubled Note 7 smartphones in the U.S. and South Korea were urged to immediately turn off and stop charging them, while aviation authorities around the world called on passengers not to use the devices during flights.

The warnings were issued by the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission and Samsung, which are also in talks on an official recall of the devices as soon as possible. About three dozen of the phones, released just three weeks ago, had batteries that caught fire or exploded.

"This consumer warning is based on recent reports involving lithium-ion batteries in certain Note 7 devices that have resulted in fires," the CPSC said in a statement. "These incidents have occurred while charging and during normal use, which has led us to call for consumers to power down their Note 7s."

The troubles come at a critical time for Samsung. The company rolled out the Note 7 last month to give it a head start on Apple Inc.'s new iPhone, which was unveiled this week. But that advantage has now disappeared. Samsung shares fell 3.9 percent in trading Friday in Korea, the biggest drop since Jan. 4.

The recent introduction of new products by the two leaders of the global smartphone market are critical to their competition, Bloomberg Intelligence analyst John Butler said in an interview.



"Samsung's troubles, and they're meaningful at this point, are a positive development for Apple and its competitive position vis-a-vis Samsung," Butler said. "We're rolling quickly into the holiday quarter, so Samsung has to move quickly to recall the Note 7 devices with faulty batteries and get replacement units to people who already bought this model."

The Suwon, South Korea-based company has already announced a voluntary, worldwide recall of all 2.5 million of the smartphones it has already shipped, at a cost to the company estimated at as much as USD1 billion. On Saturday, Samsung told users in South Korea to stop using the devices and to bring them to the company's service centers. Customers can rent replacement phones until Note 7's with new batteries become available on Sept. 19, the it said. It wasn't clear whether

the fixed Note 7 models would also be offered elsewhere on that date.

Almost all CPSC recalls are done voluntarily in conjunction with a company and the scope of any action on the Note 7 may be identical to what Samsung has already suggested to consumers.

But once the agency becomes involved, it triggers additional protections for people. For example, U.S. law prohibits the sale or resale of any recalled item once CPSC acts.

The CPSC action came as aviation regulators in several countries and airlines advised passengers against turning on or charging the devices during flights.

The European Aviation Safety Agency on Friday issued such a warning and cautioned against packing them in checked bags, according to a posting on its website. That followed a non-

binding warning issued Thursday by the U.S. Federal Aviation Administration.

"In light of recent incidents and concerns raised by Samsung about its Galaxy Note 7 devices, the Federal Aviation Administration strongly advises passengers not to turn on or charge these devices on board aircraft and not to stow them in any checked baggage," the agency said late Thursday.

India's Directorate General of Civil Aviation banned switching on the phones during flights, or placing them in checked bags that aren't carried in the cabin. Singapore Airlines Ltd. has barred travelers from powering up or charging the devices on flights, the company said in an e-mail.

Samsung issued a press release Friday saying "consumer safety and peace of mind are our top priority."

Following the FAA's statement, U.S. carriers were taking a variety of steps. Delta Air Lines Inc. posted a notice on its

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website telling passengers to comply with the FAA's guidance.

Southwest Airlines Co. will share information on its website and social-media channels to make passengers aware of the FAA recommendations, said Lisa Tiller, a spokeswoman for the Dallas-based carrier. Spirit Airlines Inc. said all passengers will receive a copy of the FAA notice 12 hours prior to flying.

American Airlines Group Inc. and JetBlue Airways Corp. said they are consulting with the FAA on the issue. JetBlue added that it is trying to get more FAA guidance for its employees so they can answer customer questions.

The Airlines for America trade group, which represents most large U.S. carriers, said in an e-mail it is closely monitoring the situation.

The actions are the latest to focus on the risks of lithium-based batteries on aircraft, which have been linked to three accidents on cargo carriers, two of which were fatal. The FAA has logged dozens of more minor incidents in which the batteries caught fire, smoldered or exploded on airline flights.

The United Nations' International Civil Aviation Organization in February voted to ban passenger airlines from carrying bulk shipments of rechargeable lithium-ion batteries, such as those on the Samsung device. The group stopped short of placing restrictions on batteries contained in devices because any fires that occur are much easier to extinguish.

The Air Line Pilots Association, the largest flight-crew union in North America, said the recent incidents underscore the need for greater controls on lithium-battery shipments.

"These batteries can self-ignite, explode, and are unresponsive to halon, the primary fire-extinguishing agent used aboard aircraft," the union said in an e-mail. **Bloomberg**

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COMPLEMENTARY MOONCAKES ON COTAI WATER JET



To celebrate the Mid-Autumn Festival this year, Cotai Water Jet is adding complementary mooncakes to meal boxes for passengers traveling between Septem-

ber 12 and 15.

Additionally, the company is set to offer another promotion during the festive period, namely ferry ticket discounts of up to 50 per-

cent for passengers using the updated smartphone app and free tickets for MasterCard holders traveling in Cotai First, according to a statement from Cotai Water Jet.

Smartphone users who install the Cotai Water Jet app can enjoy discounted City Route ferry tickets between Hong Kong and Macau from now until September 30 (except on weekends and public holidays).

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'BAND OF BROTHERS' COMING TO MACAU



One of Asia's most popular and enduring acts, "Band of Brothers", will bring their dynamic new concert to the

Cotai Arena at The Venetian Macao on October 15.

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AIRLINES operating in Angola will now set their ticket prices based on the country's economic reality, according to the Regulation on Air Transport, whose draft presidential decree has been approved by the Cabinet.

The Transport Minister, Augusto Tomás, said the measure is intended to regulate the market and protect passengers, as the airlines, particularly foreign ones, apply tariffs that are not always realistic.

Cited by state newspaper Jornal de Angola, the minister avoided talking about reducing ticket prices but stressed it did not make sense that an airline set a certain price abroad, based on the route travelled and associated costs, and that in Angola the prices are different for that same

ANGOLA

Gov't wants to set the price of airline tickets



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route.

The legislation also aims to adapt current legislation to market requirements and clearly defines the conditions and procedures for access to and exercise of scheduled and non-scheduled domestic and international air transport.

The Cabinet also approved the Regulation on Compulsory Liability Insurance, to protect

passengers, their baggage and other users of air services from business risks.

The imposition of compulsory insurance follows an increase in the number of aircraft, air operations and the development of airport infrastructure in the country.

The five documents approved by the Ministry of Transport

■ The gov't claims that airlines, particularly foreign ones, apply tariffs that are not always realistic

Inflation rate exceeds 35 percent in July

THE inflation rate in Angola stood at 35.30 percent in July, while prices increased 4.04 percent year-on-year, according to a statement released recently in Luanda by the National Bank of Angola (BNA).

The BNA statement, which included the main decisions of the meeting of the Monetary Policy Committee, said particular attention had been paid to recent price trends within the economy, which have been increa-

sing due to a drop in supply because of reduced exports.

The categories of Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages, Miscellaneous Goods and Services and Health were the ones that showed the biggest variation and contributed most to inflation in the month under review, the statement said.

In July, credit to the economy increased 2.1 percent year on year and gross credit to

the central government increased by 4.28 percent, while government deposits in the banking system increased by 4.21 percent.

The statement issued by the central bank also said that taking into account the development of the main macroeconomic indicators, the Monetary Policy Committee decided to keep all benchmark interest rates unchanged, including the BNA Rate that remained at 16 percent.

also include a diploma to set the guidelines be followed for the allocation of slots for regular air transport operations at Angolan airports and airstrips.

Known as Regulation on Scheduling Fees at Airports, the document improves coordination between the airlines operating in the different airports and aerodromes in the country and the fulfillment of the Civil Aviation Act. **MDT/Macauhub**

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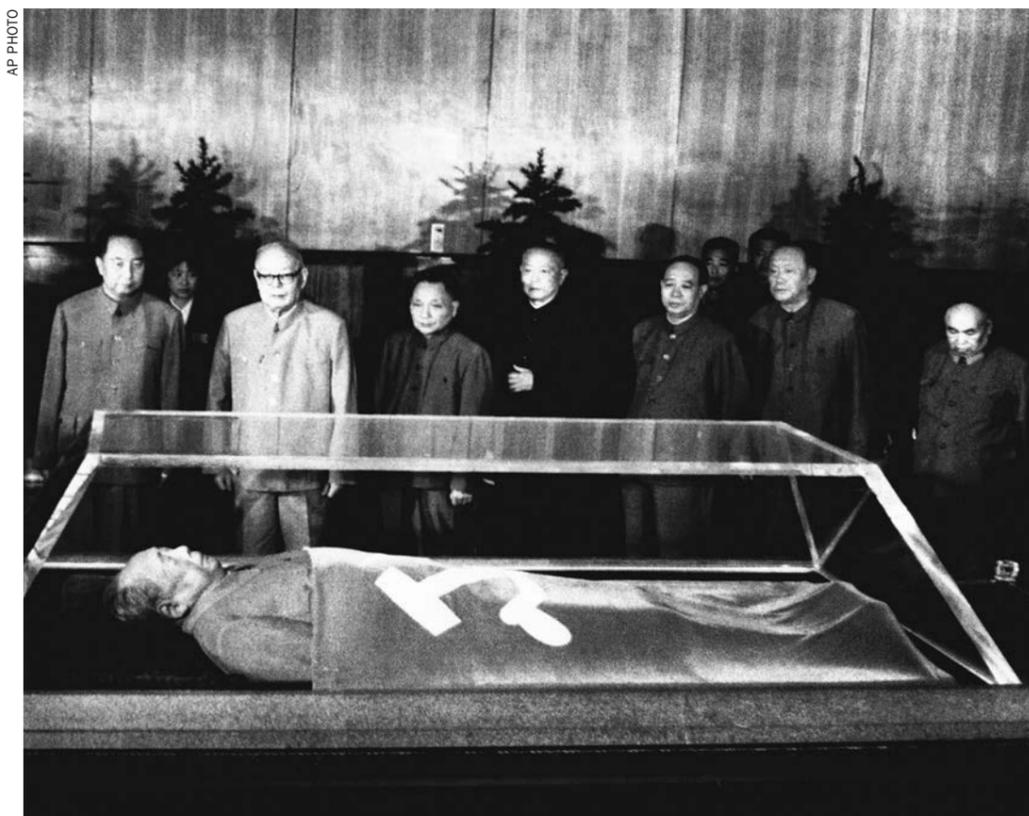
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A woman takes smartphone photo of portraits of the late communist leader Mao Zedong on display at an art exhibition focused on Mao in Beijing

Christopher Bodeen, Beijing

FRIDAY marked the 40th anniversary of the death of Mao Zedong, who founded the People's Republic of China in 1949 and ran it virtually uncontested until his death on Sept. 9, 1976.

While his reputation was deeply tarnished by the chaos and destruction of the ultra-radical 1966-1976 Cultural Revolution, subsequent generations have generally accepted the ruling Communist Party's official verdict that he was on balance 70 percent right and 30 percent wrong.

Here are some ways Mao's influence lingers in today's very-different China:

STILL REVERED

Mao remains a revered figure. His birthplace in the village of Shaoshan in Hunan province receives millions of visitors a year, and his embalmed corpse lies within a hulking mausoleum in the center of sprawling Tiananmen Square in the heart of Beijing. His portrait still hangs from iconic Tiananmen Gate, from which he proclaimed the establishment of the new communist state on Oct. 1, 1949, and his visage peers from every denomination of Chinese currency.

40 years after death, Mao's mixed legacy looms over China

All are signs of how he has become a virtual symbol of state, even while in a modern industrial and increasingly capitalistic China that has veered greatly from his ideal of a radical communist state steeped in peasant virtues and egalitarian ideals.

LEGACY OF NATIONAL UNITY

Among Mao's key achievements was the welding of a fractious China into a unitary state by overthrowing Chiang Kai-shek's Nationalist government, defeating warlord factions and cementing control over the peripheral western regions of Tibet and Xinjiang. Mao's state has actually grown with the reabsorption in recent decades of the former British colony of Hong Kong and Portuguese colony of Macau. China has also moved aggressively to assert its claim to virtually the entire South China Sea, sparking frictions with its sou-

thern neighbors. One territory remains outside Beijing's control, however: the self-governing island of Taiwan to which Chiang's defeated forces retreated in 1949.

PARTY OVER ALL

Mao advocated strict Communist Party control over all aspects of life, and while his totalitarian state is a thing of the past, the party maintains an iron grip over political power. The last major challenge it faced, the 1989 pro-democracy protests centered on Tiananmen Square, were brutally suppressed and remain a taboo subject. China continues to imprison Nobel Peace Prize laureate Liu Xiaobo for co-authoring a call for ending the communist monopoly on power, and civic and legal groups outside party control face constant harassment and persecution. A roundup of activist lawyers in June 2015 has sent a chill through the activist community, and the

prospects for a movement arising to oppose the party seem next to nil.

A POWERFUL MILITARY

One of Mao's most famous dictums was that political power came from the barrel of a gun, and the People's Liberation Army remains the party's house guard despite calls for it to shift loyalty to the government instead. In addition to retaining a monopoly on force at home, the PLA has become a growing force in regional and even global military affairs. With 2.3 million members, it is the world's largest standing military, although plans call for it to shrink by 300,000. Years of double-digit percentage increases in China's military budget — now the world's second-largest — have transformed the army into an increasingly high-tech and battle-proficient force, despite not having engaged in any major conflict since 1979.

SYSTEMATIC WEAKNESSES

Not all is smooth sailing. The party Mao bequeathed to his successors remains brittle and intolerant, opaque and exclusive, placing hundreds of millions of Chinese outside the decision-making process. Pent-up frustrations occasionally burst into episodes of unrest, although the massive security state has shown its ability to suppress them. In addition, the nationalism unleashed by Mao may force the government to take hard-line positions that imperil its goal of being viewed as a responsible player in global society. Economic tensions deriving from Mao's command economy also linger. In a move that might have pleased the revolutionary Mao, if not the later authoritarian leader, workers in China's bloated state industries are growing restive over layoffs and cutbacks at a time when overall economic growth, while still robust, is slowing. **AP**

Taiwan says bus driver in July crash killing 26 was suicidal

TAIWANESE prosecutors have closed their investigation into a July bus crash that killed all 26 people on board, including 23 Chinese tourists, saying the driver was suicidal and that they found no evidence of a mechanical failure, state

media reported Saturday. The July 19 crash was the deadliest single incident involving Chinese tourists since Taiwan began admitting mainland visitors in 2008. After the crash, many questioned whether the bus had been properly maintained or

had safety concerns.

But authorities in the city of Taoyuan said they believed the driver had planned to kill himself, possibly due to fallout from his being investigated for sexual misconduct, Taiwan's Central News Agency reported.

Authorities have previously said the bus began to emit smoke before smashing into a highway guardrail.

Prosecutors found that the driver had purchased gasoline to pour inside the bus on the fourth day of the group's tour, and

had been "emboldened" by drinking just before the crash, the news agency reported.

Including a Chinese tour guide, 24 of the people on the bus were visiting Taiwan from China's Liaoning province.

The crash occurred on

the last day of their tour, on a major highway near Taiwan's main international airport.

Authorities found traces of gasoline inside the bus, initially raising questions about whether there had been a leak of some kind. A safety exit on the bus was also locked, trapping people as they tried to escape the fast-burning bus. **AP**

Graft probe snares Tianjin mayor, a former Xi associate



Huang Xingguo

THE highest-ranking Chinese Communist Party official investigated in more than a year is a former subordinate of President Xi Jinping's.

Huang Xingguo - mayor and acting party chief of northern port city Tianjin - is being probed for "serious disciplinary violations," China's top anti-graft agency said Saturday, using an official euphemism for graft. The Central Commission for Discipline Inspection statement provided no details about the nature of the allegations.

Huang's unusually long 20-month stint as interim Tianjin leader took in the massive warehouse fire and chemical explosions in August last year that killed at least 165 people and caused almost USD1 billion in economic losses. He retained his posts even as scores of local government of-

ficials and port executives were punished for allowing the large stockpile of hazardous chemicals so close to a residential area, in violation of safety rules.

Before being sent to Tianjin in 2003, Huang, 61, spent more than three decades in the eastern province of Zhejiang, a stepping stone in Xi's own rise and a lasting base of the president's power. Huang led the key port city of Ningbo, overlapping with part of Xi's five-year stint in the Zhejiang leadership where he was firstly governor and then party secretary.

"Huang didn't lose his title in the aftermath of the Tianjin explosion, which showed there was some sort of 'protective umbrella' covering him," said Zhang Lifan, a Beijing-based historian and political commentator. "It's hard to say at this moment whether his case was too severe to paper over,

or whether Xi wanted to use it to show that he's ready to punish his own people if justice demands it."

Party officials have usually been detained when disciplinary investigations are announced and Huang couldn't be reached for comment.

Huang is the highest-ranking former Xi subordinate to fall from grace since the president took power in 2012 and launched an unprecedented crackdown on official corruption. The investigation adds intrigue to a wave of provincial-level promotions ahead of next month's planned Central Committee meeting, which is expected to lay the groundwork for a twice-a-decade leadership reshuffle in 2017.

Had Huang formally assumed the top job in Tianjin - China's fourth-largest city - he would've been expected to secure a seat on the party's elite 25-member Politburo. Instead, he became the 10th Central Committee member investigated under Xi and the most senior official probed since ex-Hebei provincial party secretary Zhou Benshun was detained in July 2015.

Huang last appeared in public on Friday, when he visited a school and met with a delegation from Taiwan's Kuomintang opposition, according to the official Tianjin Daily. The city now lacks a party secretary, mayor and public security chief, with the last occupant of the latter position detained in July 2014. So far, Xi's anti-graft drive has ensnared three top Tianjin officials, including a deputy mayor placed under investigation last month. **Bloomberg**

US tycoon's scholarship project opens doors in Beijing



Stephen Schwarzman, founder and CEO of the Blackstone Group

Christopher Bodeen, Beijing

A new scholarship program intended to rival the prestigious Rhodes Scholarships and build understanding between China and the world opened its doors at Beijing's prestigious Tsinghua University on Saturday.

The program, founded by Wall Street tycoon Stephen Schwarzman, covers all expenses for students in a one-year master's degree program that will also emphasize cultural immersion, travel around China, and efforts to grasp and understanding the world's second-largest economy and rising superpower.

Chosen from more than 3,000 applicants, the 110 Schwarzman Scholars represent 32 countries, with 44 percent from the United States and 21 percent from China. The program hopes to eventually provide support for as many as 200 scholars yearly.

In an interview with The Associated Press, Schwarzman said the program had sought out students who were not just talented, but creative and insightful, with strong leadership and communications skills. Drawn from the sciences, business and even the military, they will go on to be "people of influence" who can explain China to the world and the world to China, he said.

"In a world of populism and strong views on the internet, there need to be people who can explain such complex issues," Schwarzman said.

Launched in 2013, the program has drawn support from the top ranks of the ruling Communist Party, one reason Schwarzman said he wasn't concerned about possible infringements on

academic freedom. Chinese universities remain strictly limited in what they can teach and discuss in areas such as politics and history, and President Xi Jinping's government has redoubled calls to rid classrooms and textbooks of the influence of universal values and Western concepts of human rights and participatory democracy.

Schwarzman said the program fit perfectly with Xi's call to elevate at least two Chinese universities into the top global rankings in coming years.

"We're in the sweet spot of what China is trying to do," he said.

The Schwarzman scholarship program aims for an endowment of USD450 million, of which \$200 million has already been raised from private sources, including a \$100 million gift from Schwarzman, a co-founder of the private equity Blackstone Group.

Students will live in the Schwarzman College, a building designed by Robert A.M. Stern, dean of Yale University's architecture school, and based on residential buildings at Yale, Harvard, Oxford and other elite schools.

Members of the program's advisory board include former British Prime Minister Tony Blair, former French President Nicolas Sarkozy and ex-Australian Prime Minister Kevin Rudd. Rudd attended Saturday's event, which also featured video greetings from U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry and first lady Michelle Obama. Former secretaries of state Colin Powell, Condoleezza Rice and Henry Kissinger also sit on the board, along with acclaimed cellist Yo-Yo Ma. **AP**

ONE SHOT NEWS



A bridge in the eastern province of Jiangxi collapsed yesterday while it was being dismantled, injuring five and leaving three missing. The collapse happened at around 9 a.m. in Taihe County. Three of the eight workers who fell into the river remain unaccounted for, according to the local government. The five who sustained injuries have been admitted to hospital.

Philippines' Duterte tells Obama he never cursed him

PHILIPPINE President Rodrigo Duterte said Friday he told President Barack Obama during their encounter in Laos that he never cursed him.

On a visit to Indonesia, Duterte told the Filipino community there that he told Obama: "President Obama, I'm President Duterte. I never made that statement, check

it out."

He said that Obama responded: "My men will talk to you," and he replied 'OK.'"

Duterte blamed the media for distorting his words, saying he did utter "son of a bitch" but it was not directed at Obama.

Before traveling to Laos for regional summits, Duterte said last

week that Obama should not question him about the rising death toll in his war on drugs, which has been criticized abroad and by Duterte's opponents in the Philippines. More than 2,800 suspected drug dealers and users have been killed since Duterte took office.

Asked how he would explain

the killings to Obama, he said in a long answer that the Philippines has long ceased to be a colony of the United States and he did not have a master except the Filipino people.

"I do not care about him. Who is he?" Duterte said. "You must be respectful. Do not just throw questions and statements. Putang Ina, I will swear at you at that forum," he added, using the Tagalog phrase for "son of a bitch."

Obama then canceled a meeting with Duterte in Laos but the two met informally on Wednesday in a holding room before attending a gala dinner.

Duterte, who assumed the presidency in June, has had an uneasy relationship with the U.S., his country's longtime treaty ally. He has said he is charting a foreign policy not dependent on the U.S., and has moved to reduce tensions with China over rival territorial claims.

He also said he showed a picture of an atrocity during the U.S. pacification campaign in the southern Philippines at the beginning of the



Rodrigo Duterte, right, inspects an honor guard with his Indonesian counterpart Joko Widodo during a welcome ceremony at Merdeka Palace in Jakarta

last century at the East Asia Summit in Laos that included Obama, in order to stop criticism over human rights violations in the war on illegal drugs. The photograph showed about 200 dead Filipino Moros stacked in a common pit, with an American soldier holding a rifle while stepping on the breasts of a naked Moro woman.

He said he told the leaders, "This is human rights, what do you intend to do?" and "Human rights violations whether committed by Moses or Abraham, is still violation of human rights."

The whole room was silent and he waited for Obama to respond but he remained quiet, Duterte said. AP

Indonesia can chase pirates into Philippine waters

RODRIGO Duterte gave Indonesian forces the right to pursue pirates into Philippine waters, saying piracy is one of the main problems between the two countries.

Duterte, who is visiting Jakarta, discussed piracy and other security issues on Friday with Indonesian President Joko "Jokowi" Widodo.

He said he was sorry that even shipments of coal from Indonesia destined for Philippine power plants are being affected by piracy.

If Indonesian forces are chasing pirates and they enter Philippine waters, "they can go ahead and blast them off," Duterte said. "That's my word actually with Widodo. I said,

'blow them up.'"

He added, "But maybe if there are sharks around, then we can just feed them to the sharks."

Nine Indonesians are among 16 foreign hostages currently being held by the Muslim extremist group Abu Sayyaf in the southern Philippines, where Muslim separatist rebellions have raged for decades.

In May, Indonesia, Malaysia and the Philippines agreed to carry out coordinated patrols following a series of kidnappings and piracy attacks that undermined commerce in the Celebes Sea, where their sea borders overlap.

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Seoul: North Korea's 5th nuke test 'fanatic recklessness'

NORTH Korea said it conducted a "higher level" nuclear test explosion on Friday that will allow it to finally build an array of stronger, smaller and lighter nuclear weapons, a move strongly condemned by the U.N. Security Council which promised new measures against Pyongyang.

The North's fifth atomic test and the second in eight months brought the U.N.'s most powerful body into emergency session, just three days after it strongly condemned North Korea's latest ballistic missile launches.

South Korea's president said the detonation, which Seoul estimated was the North's biggest-ever in explosive yield, was an act of "fanatic recklessness" and a sign that leader Kim Jong Un "is spiraling out of control." President Barack Obama condemned the test and said the U.S. would never accept the country as a nuclear power.

North Korea's boast of a technologically game-changing nuclear test defied both tough international sanctions and long-standing diplomatic pressure to curb its nuclear ambitions. It will raise serious worries in many world capitals that North Korea has moved another step closer to its goal of a nuclear-armed missile that could one day strike the U.S. mainland.

The press statement agreed upon by all 15 Security Council members late Friday said diplomats will draft a new resolution in response to its earlier promise to take "further significant measures," if the North continued to defy the international community.



AP PHOTO
North Koreans watch a news report regarding a nuclear test on a large screen outside the Pyongyang Station

"In line with this commitment and the gravity of this violation, the members of the Security Council will begin to work immediately on appropriate measures" in a new U.N. resolution, the statement said. The measures will be under Article 41 of the U.N. Charter, which specifies non-military actions including sanctions, it said.

U.S. Ambassador Samantha Power said the council must use "every tool at its disposal" including new sanctions "to demonstrate to North Korea that there are consequences for its unlawful and dangerous

actions." "This is more than brazen defiance," Power told reporters at U.N. headquarters. "North Korea is seeking to perfect its nuclear weapons and their delivery vehicles so they can hold the region and the world hostage under threat of nuclear strikes."

What measures are included in a new resolution will largely depend on China, the North's major ally and neighbor which fears any instability on the Korean peninsula.

"All sides should refrain from mutual provocations and any actions that might be a threat

to peace and security," China's U.N. Ambassador Liu Jieyi said after the meeting. "We believe it is more urgent than ever to work together to achieve denuclearization of the Korean peninsula [and] "to prevent proliferation and [...] maintain peace and stability on the Korean peninsula."

In March, the Security Council adopted its toughest sanctions against North Korea in two decades in response to its nuclear test in January and a rocket launch. It took two months of negotiations mainly between the U.S. and China. South Korea's U.N. Ambassador Oh Joon said he hopes agreement on a new resolution will come quickly.

Hours after South Korea noted unusual seismic activity near North Korea's northeastern nuclear test site, the North said in its state-run media that a test had "finally examined and confirmed the structure and specific features of movement of [a] nuclear warhead that has been standardized to be able to

be mounted on strategic ballistic rockets."

"The standardization of the nuclear warhead will enable [North Korea] to produce at will and as many as it wants a variety of smaller, lighter and diversified nuclear warheads of higher strike power," North Korea said. "This has definitely put on a higher level [the North's] technology of mounting nuclear warheads on ballistic rockets."

North Korea, led by a third-generation dictatorship and wary of outsiders, protects its nuclear program as a closely guarded state secret, and the claims about advancements made in its testing could not be independently verified. But they center on a technological mystery that has long bedeviled outside experts: How far has North Korea gotten in efforts to consistently shrink down nuclear warheads so they can fit on long-range missiles?

South Korea's main spy agency told lawmakers in a closed-door briefing after the test that it does not think North Korea currently has the ability to develop nuclear weapons that can be mounted on ballistic missiles, but intelligence officials expressed worries that the North's efforts to do so are progressing more quickly than previously thought, said Kim Byungkee, a lawmaker from the opposition Minjoo Party. AP

This is more than brazen defiance.

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AUSTRALIA

Man charged with terrorism after stabbing in Sydney

A man charged with committing a terrorist act and attempted murder after allegedly stabbing a man in Sydney was inspired by the Islamic State group, police said yesterday.

Wayne Greenhalgh, 59, was stabbed several times while walking through a park in suburban Minto in southwest Sydney on Saturday afternoon and is in critical condition, police said in a statement.

The suspect, Ihsas Khan, 22, also attempted to stab a police officer before he was arrested, police said. He was charged yesterday and faces a potential life prison sentence if convicted.

Khan was refused bail in the Parramatta Bail Court and his case was adjourned until Wednesday. He did

not enter pleas.

Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull noted that the attack came on the eve of the 15th anniversary of the al-Qaida attacks on the United States.

"Connecting them both is a violent Islamist ideology," Turnbull told reporters.

Khan and Greenhalgh did not know each other, and New South Wales Deputy Police Commissioner Catherine Burn described the attack as planned and deliberate.

"This was clearly a very volatile, a very violent situation that police and the members of the community were confronted with," Burn told reporters.

Khan shouted words at the scene, which led police to believe he was inspired

by the IS group, Burn said.

"We know that this person has strong religious beliefs inspired by ISIS. What made him act yesterday we don't know," she said.

The victim's wife, Bronwyn Greenhalgh, said her husband had a punctured lung and had lost several fingers. "He [Khan] just came toward him [Wayne Greenhalgh] and got a mace out of his backpack and started going at Wayne," Bronwyn Greenhalgh told Ten Network television.

Khan had previously been charged with a property-related offence, Burn said.

Vietnam war veteran Les King said Khan had stolen and destroyed Australian flags from his fence in 2013. Ten reported Kahn was charged with malicious damage but

he escaped punishment due to this mental health.

"He has had a couple of interactions with local police over matters where we might say his behavior was odd or unusual," Burn said. "He is a person of concern."

Despite his unusual behavior, he was not known to be connected with any terrorist group, she said.

"This really highlights the challenge that this is the new face of terrorism," she added.

Federal Attorney General George Brandis said bystanders had put their own lives at risk by intervening in the attack.

"It may very well be but for the bravery of those citizens to intervene, the victim's life would have been lost," Brandis told reporters.

An 18-year-old man was arrested on Thursday outside the Sydney Opera House after allegedly telling security guards he was under instructions to carry out an attack by the IS group.

Counterterrorism investigators charged the teen with threatening to destroy property. Police said he was carrying two canisters of automotive fluid.

His arrest came days after the IS urged followers to stab, shoot, poison and run over Australians at iconic locations including the Opera House.

The teen appeared in a Sydney court on Friday, where the judge ordered him to undergo a psychiatric assessment.

The government plans to introduce legislation to

Parliament this week that would enable courts to keep prisoners convicted of terrorist offenses behind bars for indefinite periods.

Legislation is to be introduced in November that will create a new offense of "advocating genocide." The crime will enable police to make an earlier arrest when someone is radicalizing others.

Control orders that can force suspects to wear tracking devices and obey curfews could apply to 14-year-olds. Currently the minimum age is 16.

The burden of evidence would also be reduced for a court to jail a suspect with a preventative detention order on the basis that a terrorist attack could occur within two weeks. AP

Kevin Freking, Washington

PRESIDENT Barack Obama yesterday marked the 15th anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks by calling on Americans to embrace the nation's character as a people drawn from every corner of the world, from every religion and from every background. He said extremist groups will never be able to defeat the United States.

Obama spoke to hundreds of service members, and relatives and survivors of the attack that occurred at the Pentagon when American Airlines Flight 77 slammed into the Defense Department's headquarters, killing 184 people. The youngest victim was only 3 years old. In all, about 3,000 people lost their lives that day as a result of the planes that crashed into New York City's World Trade Center and in a Pennsylvania field.

The president said extremist groups such as the Islamic State group and al-Qaida know they can never drive down the U.S., so they focus on trying to instill fear in hopes of trying to get Americans to change how they live.

"We know that our diversity, our patchwork heritage is not a weakness, it is still and always will be one of our greatest strengths," Obama said. "This is the America that was attacked that September morning. This is the America that we must remain true to."

Obama spoke on warm, sunny morning, noting that the threat that became so evident on Sept. 11 has evolved greatly over the past 15 years. Terrorists, he said, often attempt attacks on a smaller, but still deadly sca-

Obama calls on Americans to embrace diversity on 9/11



Barack Obama, first lady Michelle Obama, and others, pause on the South Lawn of the White House in Washington as they observe a moment of silence to mark the 14th anniversary of the 9/11 attacks

le, specifically citing attacks in Boston, San Bernardino and Orlando as examples.

In the end, he said, the enduring memorial to those who lost their lives that day is ensuring "that we stay true to ourselves, that we stay true to what's best in us, that we do not let others divide us."

"How we conduct ourselves as individuals and as a nation, we have the opportunity each and every day to live up to the sacrifice of those heroes that we lost," Obama said.

Obama began and ended his remarks by quoting from the

Book of Proverbs: "Let not steadfast love and faithfulness forsake you. Bind them around your neck. Write them on the table of your heart."

Obama also marked his final Sept. 11 observance as president with a moment of silence inside the White House to coincide with when the first plane hit the Twin Towers. Atop the White House, the American flag flew at half-staff. Obama invited governors, interested organizations and individuals to follow suit.

A decade after the attacks, al-Qaida leader Osama bin Laden

was killed by U.S. forces in a raid in Pakistan that Obama authorized. Obama noted that event as he spoke about how the nation has responded since 9/11 by delivering "justice"

to bin Laden, by strengthening homeland security and by preventing attacks.

“We know that our diversity, our patchwork heritage is not a weakness, it is still and always will be one of our greatest strengths.”

BARACK OBAMA

"We resolve to continue doing everything in our power to protect this country that we love," he said, facing the crowd and the benches that are a hallmark of the Pentagon Memorial. **AP**

CLINTON LEAVES 9/11 EVENT FEELING OVERHEATED

HILLARY CLINTON'S campaign says the Democratic presidential nominee left a 9/11 anniversary ceremony in New York after feeling "overheated." The campaign says she's "feeling much better." Clinton spokesman Nick Merrill says in a statement yesterday that the for-

mer secretary of state attended the morning ceremony for 90 minutes "to pay her respects and greet some of the families of the fallen. He adds, "During the ceremony, she felt overheated so departed to go to her daughter's apartment, and is feeling much better."

Libyan troops recapture key oil terminals from militia

Rami Musa, Benghazi

LIBYAN forces loyal to a powerful general yesterday recaptured two key oil terminals from militias in a surprise attack, according to officials familiar with the operation, a move that adds a new layer to the turmoil gripping the North African nation since 2011.

They said forces led by Gen. Khalifa Hifter, who heads the Libyan National Army, took over the Ras Lanuf and al-Sidra terminals on Libya's Mediterranean coast and were battling militias at a third terminal, al-Zueitina.

The majority of Libya's oil exports went through the three terminals before a militia known as the Petroleum Facilities Guards seized them more than two years ago.

"Zero hour has arrived, so march forward like wolves and charge like lions," Hifter told his forces as they prepared for yesterday's dawn attack. In a radio message, he urged the troops not to harm civilians or damage the facilities.

The militia driven out of the facilities is allied with the recently-formed, U.N.-backed government headquartered in the capital, Tripoli. That government does not recognize Hifter as commander of the national army.

The Petroleum Facilities Guards' leader, Ibrahim Jeddran, struck a deal in July with the U.N. envoy to Libya, Martin Kobler. The details of that pact were never disclosed, but critics have speculated that it involved billions of dollars, sparking charges that

Kobler and the United Nations were empowering the warlord viewed by many as having held Libya's oil hostage.

The officials said there were no casualties among the attacking forces and that the militiamen at the three facilities did not offer much resistance.

The attack took place on the eve of a major Muslim holiday, Eid al-Adha, which begins today.

"Many of them [militiamen] abandoned their weapons to escape or turned themselves in," said Brig. Gen. Ahmed al-Mosmary, a spokesman for Hifter's forces. "We will continue to move till we secure the whole area."

Hifter's forces also moved against two areas in the eastern city of Benghazi that remain under militia control. Al-Mosmary said there was also little confrontation from the militiamen there, but that land mines were slowing down the advancing troops. **AP**

UK police make arrests after armed men occupy Sikh temple

POLICE made arrests for aggravated trespass after 20 to 30 men, some armed with blades, occupied a Sikh temple in central England yesterday. A Sikh youth group said it was protesting the temple's use for inter-faith weddings.

The Warwickshire Police force said officers were called to the Gurdwara Sahib Leamington and Warwick temple in Leamington Spa, a town 160 kilometers northwest of London.

The force said some of the men "are in possession of bladed items," though it didn't say of what kind. Some Sikh men wear a ceremonial dagger known as a kirpan.

Several hours after the incident began, police said they had made "a number of arrests" on suspicion of aggravated trespass.

Police said the incident wasn't related to terrorism, but was "an escalation of an ongoing local dispute."

A group called Sikh Youth Birmingham said on its Facebook page that a peaceful protest was taking place against an inter-faith wedding due to be held at the temple. They said they were upholding the "sanctity" of the Sikh religious wedding ceremony.

Some Sikhs have previously objected to mixed-faith weddings taking place at Sikh temples.

Jatinder Singh Birdi, a former treasurer at the Leamington temple, told the BBC that "there have been tensions that have been going on for a couple of years," but "nothing has happened on this level before." **AP**



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what's ON



FISHERMEN FASHION DESIGN AWARDS EXHIBITION
 TIME: 11am-5pm (closed on Tuesdays)
 UNTIL: September 24
 ADMISSION: free
 VENUE: The esplanade of Maritime Museum, 1 Largo do Pagode da Barra
 ENQUIRIES: (853) 6375 3464

OX WAREHOUSE CHILDREN'S ARTLAND 2016 - JOLLY JOINT EXHIBITION II
 TIME: 12pm-7pm (closed on Tuesdays, opened on public holidays)
 UNTIL: September 18, 2016
 VENUE: Ox Warehouse, intersection of Av. Coronel Mesquita and Av. do Almirante Lacerda
 ENQUIRIES: (853) 2853 0026
 ADMISSION: free

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 TIME: 10am-6pm daily (Except Wednesdays, open on public holidays)
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 ADMISSION: Free
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 TIME: 10am-8pm daily (Except Tuesdays)
 VENUE: Rua Luis Gonzaga Gomes, 431, basement (Tourism Activities Centre-CAT)
 ADMISSION: Free
 ENQUIRIES: (853) 8798 4108 / 2833 3000

Offbeat

FACEBOOK ALLOWS POSTINGS OF 'NAPALM GIRL' PHOTO AFTER DEBATE



Facebook on Friday reversed its decision to remove postings of an iconic 1972 image of a naked, screaming girl running from a napalm attack in Vietnam, after a Norwegian revolt against the tech giant.

Protests in Norway started last month after Facebook deleted the Pulitzer Prize-winning image by Associated Press photographer Nick Ut from a Norwegian author's page, saying it violated its rules on nudity.

The revolt escalated on Friday when Norwegian Prime Minister Erna Solberg posted the image on her profile and Facebook deleted that too. The brouhaha is the latest instance in which Facebook's often opaque process for deciding what stays and what goes on its network has spurred controversy.

"It's an interesting dilemma because you've got a newsworthy historical image that has been published by traditional news media that was effectively censored by a social network," said Steve Jones, University of Illinois at Chicago communications professor.

Initially, Facebook stood by the decision, saying it was difficult to create a distinction between allowing a photograph of a nude child in one instance and not others. But late Friday it said it would allow sharing of the photo.

"In this case, we recognize the history and global importance of this image in documenting a particular moment in time," Facebook said in a statement. "Because of its status as an iconic image of historical importance, the value of permitting sharing outweighs the value of protecting the community by removal, so we have decided to reinstate the image on Facebook where we are aware it has been removed."

Politicians of all stripes, journalists and regular Norwegians had backed Solberg's decision to share the image. The prime minister told Norwegian broadcaster NRK she was pleased with Facebook's change of heart and that it shows social media users' opinions matter. "To speak up and say we want change, it matters and it works. And that makes me happy," she said. **AP**

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14:45	RTPi Live
19:50	Soap Opera
20:30	Main News, Financial & Weather Report
21:00	TDM Sport
22:10	The Hunter
23:00	TDM News
23:30	UEFA Champions League 2016/2017 Magazine Programme
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TRAIN TO BUSAN

ROOM 1
 2.30, 4.45, 7.15, 9.30 pm
 (4 Sep) 2.15, 7.15, 9.30 pm

Director: Yeon Sang-ho

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

Language: Korean (Cantonese/English)

Duration: 97min



NERVE

ROOM 2
 2.30, 6.00, 7.30, 9.30 pm

Director: Henry Joost, Ariel Schulman

Starring: Emma Roberts, Dave Franco, Emily Meade,

Miles Heizer

Language: English (Cantonese)

Duration: 96min

CHIBI MARUKO CHAN - A BOY FROM ITALY

ROOM 2

4.15 pm

Director: Jun Takagi

Language: Cantonese (Cantonese/English)

Duration: 120min



THE LETTERS

ROOM 3

7.15 pm

Director: William Riead

Starring: Juliet Stevenson, Max Von Sydow, Rutger

Hauer

Language: English (Cantonese)

Duration: 97min

SHIN GODZILLA

ROOM 3

2.30, 4.45, 9.30 pm

Director: Hideaki Anno

Language: Japanese (Cantonese/English)

Duration: 97min

MACAU TOWER

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WAR DOGS

ROOM 3

2.30, 4.30, 7.30, 9.30 pm

Director: Todd Phillips

Starring: Jonah Hill, Miles Teller, Steve Lantz

Language: English (Cantonese)

Duration: 106min

this day in history



2003 JOHNNY CASH DIES

One of the great legends of country music, Johnny Cash, has died aged 71.

His manager, Lou Robin, said he was taken ill and rushed to hospital in Nashville, Tennessee, with respiratory failure, but doctors could not save him.

Mr Robin added, "I hope that friends and fans of Johnny will pray for the Cash family to find comfort during this very difficult time."

Cash, an icon of American country music since the 1950s, had been dogged by illness in recent years, and suffered from a nervous condition similar to Parkinson's disease.

Tributes have been pouring in from around the world. Rolling Stones lead singer Mick Jagger said, "His influence spread over many generations of different people. 'I loved him as singer and a writer.'"

Australian singer Nick Cave, who appeared on Cash's last studio album, American IV, said, "He had such a wealth of experience in his voice, heaven and hell and no-one could touch him."

In a career spanning six decades, Johnny Cash became famous for his image as an outlaw figure, as well as for hits such as I Walk The Line and Ring Of Fire.

Early on, he created the image which would eventually define him. At his debut in 1957 at Nashville's famous country music venue, the Grand Ole Opry, he wore nothing but black when everyone around him was in bright colours and rhinestones.

He eventually became known as "The Man in Black". His career took off in the 1960s, with hits such as A Boy Named Sue. But a grueling schedule led to amphetamine and alcohol abuse which cost him his first marriage and almost ruined his career.

Then in 1968 he met his second wife, June Carter Cash, from country music's famous Carter family. Cash credited her with pulling him back from addiction. She died earlier this year, aged 73, following complications from heart surgery.

Cash finished touring in 1997, but continued recording albums. Most recently, his series of American Recordings albums covering modern artists brought him popularity with a new generation of younger fans. In 2003, the video for his cover of Hurt by hard rock band Nine Inch Nails received critical acclaim and several nominations, including video of the year, at the MTV Video Music Awards.

Courtesy BBC News

IN CONTEXT

Johnny Cash was buried alongside June Carter Cash in the Hendersonville Memory Gardens near his home in Tennessee. More than 1000 people attended his funeral service.

The video for his cover of Hurt, by hard rock band Nine Inch Nails, won the award for best short form video at the 2004 Grammy Awards. June Carter Cash also won a posthumous award at the same ceremony.

A boxed set of his recordings, entitled Unearthed, was issued posthumously. It included four CDs of unreleased material.

YOUR STARS

Aries Mar. 21-Apr. 19 Your ability to charm the room is heightened, so it's a good time for public speaking or negotiating.

Taurus April 20-May 20 Now is the perfect time to start on a new project related to self-improvement - especially if it's health-related.

Gemini May 21-Jun. 21 You're largely focused on one person - maybe your sweetheart, maybe a business partner or maybe a friend in need.

Cancer Jun. 22-Jul. 22 This isn't the best time for delicate negotiations or for anything related to domestic harmony - in fact, you may find that you're having trouble with basic social skills.

Leo Jul. 23-Aug. 22 Your decision making is powered up today, especially in relation to your social life. It's a really good time for you to plan a party or maybe even to play matchmaker.

Virgo Aug. 23-Sept. 22 A friend or colleague wants to share funds with you to buy something together - and it's likely worth your while.

Libra Sep.23-Oct. 22 Your sense of life balance has settled back into something you feel good about - in fact, this may be the best you've felt in ages!

Scorpio Oct. 23 - Nov. 21 This is a much better day for thinking than for action. You should be able to get your people to give you some time off, but if not, try to delay anything serious until at least tomorrow.

Sagittarius Nov. 22-Dec. 21 You can take care of even the most difficult conversations with ease today, so open up and get your people talking.

Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 19 Your energy is a bit out of sync with those you work with, so it's not the best time for collaboration or asking for favors.

Aquarius Jan. 20-Feb. 18 Its time for genuine engagement with those around you - drop those defenses and answer from the heart.

Pisces Feb.19-Mar. 20 It's time for you to settle a debt - or at least get started on it. You may have been putting this off for a better time, but there's actually no time like the present for this kind of thing.

THE BORN LOSER by Chip Sansom



SUDOKU

Easy

9x9 grid for Easy Sudoku puzzle.

Easy+

9x9 grid for Easy+ Sudoku puzzle.

Medium

9x9 grid for Medium Sudoku puzzle.

Hard

9x9 grid for Hard Sudoku puzzle.

WEATHER

Weather forecast table with columns for MIN, MAX, and CONDITION for various cities in China and the World.

CROSSWORDS

ACROSS: 1- Beginning on; 5- Pong maker; 10- It's outstanding; 14- Do followers; 15- Renter's sign; 16- Cream-filled cookie; 17- ___ go brag!

DOWN: 1- Son of Zeus in Greek mythology; 2- Lab fluids; 3- Exclude; 4- Done; 5- One ___ time; 6- So far; 7- Grads; 8- Count (on); 9- "The Addams Family" cousin;

Friday's solution crossword grid with filled-in words.

Large crossword puzzle grid with numbers indicating starting points.

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IT was bad enough for Jose Mourinho that his first Manchester derby ended in defeat.

That the architects of the loss were Pep Guardiola and Kevin De Bruyne might have been even tougher for the Manchester United manager to digest.

In a resumption of the often-feisty rivalry between football's two most coveted coaches, Guardiola got the better of Mourinho as Man City beat Man United 2-1 in the biggest match of the English Premier League so far.

City's fourth straight win to open the season was inspired by De Bruyne, a player deemed not good enough and discarded by Mourinho when both were at Chelsea.

De Bruyne scored the opening goal in the 15th minute and played a big role in the second goal in the 36th, sending in a shot that thumped the post and rebounded back to Kelechi Iheanacho to tap in.

"Kevin had an amazing, amazing game," Guardiola said.

With its crisp passing and movement, City delivered a footballing clinic in the first half at Old Trafford to humiliate United and Mourinho, who acknowledged that he couldn't wait for halftime to come. By then, Zlatan Ibrahimovic had reduced the deficit against the run of play, volleying home after City goalkeeper Claudio Bravo — making his debut — dropped

FOOTBALL

City wins Manchester derby, big wins for Liverpool, Spurs

a free kick.

United couldn't cap an improved second-half display with an equalizer, leaving Mourinho with just one win over Guardiola in his last 10 attempts, and only three in a total of 17 games against Guardiola's teams.

There was no sign of the bitterness that marked their meetings in Spanish football when in charge of Barcelona and Real Madrid, with Mourinho and Guardiola shaking hands and even sharing a hug before ki-

“He [Mourinho] wants to win, I want to win. He beats me and I beat him in the future. It's as simple as that.”

GUARDIOLA



Manchester United's Manager Jose Mourinho

ckoff and at fulltime.

"I didn't come here to see about the rivalry," Guardiola said. "He wants to win, I want

to win. He beats me and I beat him in the future. It's as simple as that."

After three straight wins, Uni-

ted dropped its first points of the season. Chelsea is the only team apart from City to have a 100 percent winning start. AP

Kerber wins US Open for second major title of breakthrough year



Angelique Kerber

EARLY in what would become a tight test of a U.S. Open final, Angelique Kerber sprinted forward to somehow reach a drop shot and scoop a down-the-line winner that landed in a corner of the court.

The Arthur Ashe Stadium crowd roared, and Kerber celebrated by raising her right hand and wagging her index finger in the air, as if to remind opponent Karolina Pliskova — and everyone else — "I'm No. 1!" Yes, she is. And a two-time Grand Slam champion, too.

Kerber won her first U.S. Open title and the second major trophy of an out-of-nowhere breakthrough season, taking five of the last six ga-

mes to beat a fading Pliskova 6-3, 4-6, 6-4 on Saturday.

"It means a lot to me. When I was a kid, I was always dreaming to one day be the No. 1 player in the world, to win Grand Slams," said the 28-year-old Kerber, who will move up one spot from No. 2 and replace Serena Williams atop the WTA rankings on Monday. "I mean, all the dreams came true this year."

Never a Grand Slam finalist before 2016, Kerber beat Williams for the Australian Open title in January, then was the runner-up to her at Wimbledon in July. Adding the championship at Flushing Meadows was further proof that all of

the changes Kerber has made are paying off.

The better fitness, via extra time in the gym and longer, more intense practice sessions; an improved serve and a new willingness to attack during points, rather than mainly counter-punching, via instruction from coach Torben Beltz; a more positive attitude on court, via help from a mental coach.

"Of course, now everybody will try to beat me and have nothing to lose," Kerber said. "I will try to take this challenge."

On Saturday, the No. 2-seeded Kerber trailed by a break at 3-1 in the third set before coming back against the 10th-seeded Pliskova, who hadn't been past the third round at a major until this tournament.

"It didn't look good," Beltz said about the deficit. "But I think that's also her strength. Because [...] if she sees she still has a chance, she's grabbing it and she goes for it."

Kerber is the first woman from Germany to win the U.S. Open — and the first to get to No. 1 — since her idol and mentor, Steffi Graf, who got in touch via text message before the final. AP

Pedrosa surges through the field to win San Marino GP



Axel Pons (left), and Xavier Simeon (center on the ground), crash on the opening lap of the San Marino Moto2 GP

DANI Pedrosa surged through the field to win the San Marino and Rimini Riviera Grand Prix after starting eighth yesterday.

Valentino Rossi passed pole sitter Jorge Lorenzo early on and had a comfortable lead until Pedrosa overtook rivals Marc Marquez and Lorenzo in quick succession.

Pedrosa then passed Rossi with seven laps to go and won with nearly a three-second margin for his fourth victory this season.

Lorenzo finished third and MotoGP leader Marquez crossed fourth.

Lorenzo Baldassari took his first Moto2 win on home soil in a race that was marked by an accident between Axel Pons and Xavier Simeon on the opening lap. Neither rider appeared to be seriously injured. Brad Binder of South Africa won the Moto3 race from pole. AP

opinion

World Views

Victoria Bateman

THE WORLD HAS A SEX PROBLEM. IT HURTS GROWTH

When it comes to identifying the causes of the two major economic problems currently facing the developed world - rising inequality and a slowdown in economic growth - sex is rarely mentioned. However, as far as Thomas Malthus, the original economic doomster, was concerned, the "passion between the sexes" was central to economic malaise.

If Malthus were alive today, he would no doubt argue that the Western economy is paying the price of excessive population growth in the world's poorest economies. An increase in global labor supply exerts downward pressure on the wages of Western working classes, those with whom the world's poorest compete for jobs, raising inequality and encouraging businesses to pursue cheap labor. The result is a reduced incentive to invest and slower global growth.

Malthus's emphasis on population growth has long been brushed to one side. That's because for much of the 19th and 20th centuries, his prediction of economic stagnation did not ring true - at least in the West. Not long after he published his "Essay on the Principles of Population" in 1798, Europe and North America entered a period of sustained economic growth. The work of the male inventors of the Victorian age was key to this growth, but it wasn't the only factor. There was something Malthus didn't bet on: the empowerment of women.

As women went to work, became economically independent and escaped early marriage, families got smaller. These smaller families boosted economic growth in numerous ways, including by preventing downward pressure on the average wage. Not only did a higher wage help raise the standard of living of the average family, it also provided firms with an incentive to mechanize, pushing forward industrialization. Plus, smaller families could better afford to educate their children and to save. Malthus became history. That is, until now.

With the onset of globalization, the West's comfortable high-growth, high-wage economic model - one based upon relative freedom for women - has come face-to-face with a very different kind of equilibrium in other parts of the world. As trade barriers have fallen, Western workers have had to compete with an army of low-wage unskilled workers from elsewhere, an outcome of the high fertility rates and low standards of living that tend to exist in countries where women are second-class citizens.

More than 60% of the world's illiterate population are women. Females earn 24% less than male workers. Only a fifth of landowners are women and less than a quarter of all lawmakers. What is particularly worrying, however, is the lack of catch-up between the West and the rest.

A gender equality index from the Center for Global Economic History shows that while there has been a general improvement in the relative position of women during the past century, we have seen little in the way of convergence between countries. It is this lack of convergence - combined with the opening up of the world economy - that is undermining the equilibrium the West had managed to achieve some time ago.

In a new working paper from the Center for Global Economic History, the authors argue that this lack of convergence reflects the fact that gender inequality is deeply rooted in family structures. [...] The United Nations Gender Inequality Index, which includes measures of health, political empowerment, educational attainment and economic participation helps to highlight the difference in the gender gap by region:

In the Arab states, female labor force participation is a particular problem, reaching a low of about 15% in Iraq and Syria. By contrast, in sub-Saharan Africa women tend to engage actively in the labor market but carry a high reproductive burden, with a fertility rate of just under five children per woman. Child marriage is a related problem, not just in Africa but also in South Asia, where more than one in two women aged 20 to 49 married as a child.

Had women in places such as India and Africa been able to enjoy something closer to the freedoms of Western women, their economies would have been richer and there would have been less downward pressure on the wages of unskilled workers.

While gender inequality already features in numerous global discussions, it is strikingly absent from economic debates about inequality and growth. **Bloomberg**

THE BUZZ IRAN BEGINS CONSTRUCTION ON 2ND NUCLEAR POWER PLANT

Iran began building its second nuclear power plant with Russian help on Saturday, the first such project since last year's landmark nuclear deal with world powers.

The project in the southern port city of Bushehr will eventually include two power plants expected to go online in 10 years. Construction on the second plant is set to begin in 2018. The entire project will cost more than

USD8.5 billion, with each plant producing 1,057 megawatts of electricity.

"Construction of the power plant is a symbol of Iran enjoying the results of the nuclear deal," Senior Vice-President Ishaq Jahangiri said at a ceremony marking the start of the project. "We will continue working with Russia as a strategic partner and friend," he added. **AP**

Station	Air quality	
Roadside	15-35 Good	
High Density Residential Area	25-45 Good	
Ambient	20-40 Good	

SOURCE: DSMG

'The Woman Who Left' wins top prize at Venice Film Festival

THE black-and-white revenge tale "The Woman Who Left" by Filipino director Lav Diaz won the Golden Lion prize for best picture Saturday at the Venice Film Festival.

Andre Konchalovsky and Amat Escalante shared this year's Silver Lion for best direction for their respective films: "Paradise" from Russia and Germany and "The Untamed" from Mexico.

Tom Ford's noir thriller "Nocturnal Animals" from the U.S. won the grand jury prize.

Argentine actor Oscar Martinez of "The Distin-



Filipino director Lav Diaz holds the Golden Lion award

guished Citizen" and American actress Emma Stone of "La La Land" were ho-

nored with the acting trophies.

Noah Oppenheimer won best screenplay for "Jackie," which centers on Jackie Kennedy at the time of John F. Kennedy's assassination.

A jury led by British director Sam Mendes chose winners from among 20 movies competing at the 73rd annual festival.

The world's oldest film festival wrapped up Saturday after 11 days that brought stars including Natalie Portman, Chris Pratt and Denzel Washington to the canal-crossed Italian city. **AP**

Streisand uses song to mock Trump at Clinton fundraiser

BARBRA Streisand put her feelings about Donald Trump into song Friday night.

At an LGBT fundraiser for Hillary Clinton Friday, the singer performed a parody of the Stephen Sondheim song "Send in the Clowns" with lyrics about the Republican nominee.

"Is he that rich, maybe he's poor, 'til he reveals his returns, who can be sure?" Streisand sang to an applauding crowd of about 1,000. "Something's amiss, I don't approve, if he were running the free world, where would we move?"

Streisand preformed before a large effusive crowd at the New York City fundraiser. She followed Clinton, who stressed her support for

the LGBT community and said, "We all love this woman, either from afar or luckily enough up close."

The event raised money for the Hillary Victory Fund, a joint fundraising committee between Clinton's campaign, the Democratic National Committee and state parties. Contributions ranged from USD1,200 to over \$250,000.

Streisand included renditions of "People," "Pure Imagination" and "Happy Days Are Here Again."

But her Trump parody clearly stood out. It continued: "And if by chance he gets to heaven, even up there, he'll declare chapter 11. This sad, vulgar clown. You're fired, you clown." **AP**

THE DECISIVE MOMENT

Xinhua/Li Ming



Ntando Mahlangu of South Africa competes during the men's 200m-T42 Round1 of the Rio 2016 Paralympic Games in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

WORLD BRIEFS

AUSTRALIA A man charged with committing a terrorist act and attempted murder after was inspired by the Islamic State group, police said yesterday. Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull noted that the attack came on the eve of the 15th anniversary of the al-Qaida attacks on the United States. **More on p13**



BANGLADESH A boiler exploded and triggered a fire at a packaging factory near Bangladesh's capital on Saturday, killing at least 23 workers and injuring dozens, officials said. Fire officials said that the fire triggered by the blast spread quickly because flammable chemicals were stored at the factory.

IRAN The Iranian Foreign Ministry on Saturday welcomed a U.S.-Russian agreement on a cease-fire for Syria, where it has been a key ally of President Bashar Assad during the five-year war that has resulted in as many as 500,000 deaths. The agreement is set to go into effect on Monday night, coinciding with the Muslim holiday Eid al-Adha.



KENYA Three women were killed after they attacked a police station in the Kenyan coastal city of Mombasa yesterday, a police official said. One of the women threw a firebomb at officers while another pulled out a knife, the official described.

CROATIA Citizens were voting yesterday in an early parliamentary election that is unlikely to produce a clear winner and could pave the way for more political uncertainty in the European Union's newest member state.

USA A Hanjin Shipping Co. vessel began unloading its part of USD14 billion worth of cargo Saturday morning at the Port of Long Beach in California after a U.S. court granted the company a reprieve from having its assets seized, easing a cargo bottleneck resulting from the container line's filing for bankruptcy protection.