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**PHILIPPINES** President Rodrigo Duterte lashed out yesterday at another U.N. human rights expert for making critical remarks about his supposed role in the expulsion of the chief justice, telling him "to go to hell." *More on p13*

**INDONESIA's** Mount Merapi erupted twice, shooting ash plumes as high as 6 kilometers in the sky and forcing the closure of two airports. A no-go zone around the crater was put into force. *More on p13*



**INDIA-PAKISTAN** Two paramilitary soldiers were killed and eight civilians wounded yesterday when Pakistani soldiers attacked dozens of forward posts along the highly militarized frontier in disputed Kashmir, Indian officials said. *More on p13*

**KAZAKHSTAN** A Russian Soyuz space capsule carrying three astronauts from the International Space Station has landed safely in the steppes of Kazakhstan.



**QATAR** A senior official said yesterday his country will not be dragged into any conflict with Iran, as he responded to a question on whether Qatar's air bases could be used to launch airstrikes.

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# Casinos post 12pct revenue gain in May

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## Gaming revenue up by 12 percent in May

MACAU'S gaming industry revenue increased by 12.1 percent year-on-year to MOP25.49 billion patacas (around USD3.16 billion) in May, the gaming industry watchdog announced.

The Gaming Inspection and Coordination Bureau released the latest data on Friday, indicating that the fifth mon-

th of this year consolidated a growth trend, as the rate of increase rose from 5.7 percent in February to 22.2 percent in March, 27.6 percent in April, and 12.1 percent in May.

The accumulated revenue for 2018 has reached MOP127.73 billion (USD15.81 billion) so far; 20.1 percent higher than

the same period in 2017.

Macau's monthly gaming revenue registered a 1.1-percent year-on-year rise in August 2016, ending a 26-month slump of the industry. Since then, monthly revenue has continued to record year-on-year growth, with May recording the 22nd consecutive monthly rebound.

## Couto gets podium on Fuji 24-hour race

MACAU racer André Couto has finished third in the Number 81 J-Fly Racing Audi R8 in the Fuji Super TEC 24 Hours race held over the weekend at Fuji Speedway, Shizuoka Prefecture, Japan. Couto was co-driving with Taiwan's Jeffrey Lee, Japan's Shintaro Kawabata and Belgium's Alessio Picariello.

The four-driver team finished the demanding round-the-clock race behind their teammates at Phoenix Racing Asia, who were in the number 83 Audi R8 driven by Keong Wee Lim, Marchy Lee, Melvin Moh and Max Hofer. The race was won by the Number 3 Endless Nissan GT-R, which was shared by Yuke Taniguchi, Hideki Yamauchi, Tsubasa Mekaru, Kyosuke Mineo, Jukuchou Sunako and Shinnosuke Yamada.

This is the first time in a decade that Japan has hosted a 24-hour race, and also the first time in 50 years that such a race has taken place at the Fuji Speedway, one of the most iconic circuits of Japan situated in the foothills of Mount Fuji.

The Fuji 24-Hour Race is one of the major events in the return of the "Super Taikyu" (Super Endurance Races) to Japan, a format abandoned when Japan plunged into deep recession



André Couto

and energy crisis back in 2008 leading to the shuttering of the Tokachi circuit at Hokkaido, famous for such events. 24-hour races such as Le Mans (France), Daytona (USA), Spa-Francorchamps (Belgium), the Nurburgring (Germany), and more recently Dubai (UAE), have been historic races upon which every team, driver, or manufacturer wishes to leave their footprint.

This time in Japan, 52 pro-am (professional combined with amateur) teams from eight classes joined the event to become the champions of this year's Super Taikyu Series' biggest race. **RM**

### ASK THE VET

by Dr Ruan Du Toit Bester

## CANINE DISTEMPER VIRUS

**T**HE warning signs of diabetes should be taken seriously, as diabetes is a complex condition that may lead to blindness if left untreated. Diabetes may manifest through a wide range of symptoms starting from increased urination and thirst to lethargy. Check with your veterinarian if you notice one or several of these diabetes symptoms.

### EXCESSIVE THIRST

Excessive thirst is among the symptoms of diabetes. This is due to the fact that the cat cannot properly assimilate the glucose after meals and there will be a high level of glucose in the blood, so he will try to dilute the elevated concentration of glucose. Polydipsia (drinking a lot) is symptomatic for several other diseases including urinary tract infections or hyperthyroidism, so you should watch out for additional symptoms or get a clear diagnosis from your vet.

### EXCESSIVE URINATION

Excessive urination or polyuria is symptomatic of felines with diabetes and may be due to:

- The increased level of glucose in the blood
- The fact that the cat consumes an increa-

sed amount of liquids

You can monitor your cat and see if there are changes in the urination schedule. You can also watch the litter box and establish if your cat eliminates more urine. If tested, the urine will have an elevated level of glucose, as this cannot be stored in the cells of the body and is ultimately eliminated.

### WEIGHT LOSS IN DIABETIC CATS

A cat with diabetes will lose weight, despite the fact that he may have an increased appetite. This is due to the fact that the body doesn't get the needed nutrients and starts using the glucose stored in the fat deposits and the muscles.

### DIABETES AND INCREASED APPETITE

Increased appetite or polyphagia is due to the fact that the cat's body will not assimilate glucose properly and will feel the need to provide more energy for survival. The lack of nutrients in the blood will send a signal to the cat's brain and he will eat more. You may find your cat looking for food in addition to his meals.



### CAT DRY MOUTH

Dry mouth is among the symptoms of diabetes in cats, but it may be more difficult to detect. However, the cat may drink more water also due to the fact that he feels his mouth is dry.

### DIABETES AND A CAT'S LACK OF ENERGY

A cat with diabetes may be lethargic, as he doesn't have enough energy. The lack of energy results from the fact that the body cannot assimilate the glucose. Glucose is formed from the food consumed by the cat. When the cat has an insulin deficiency, the glucose cannot enter the cells.

### DIAGNOSING DIABETES IN CATS

Diabetes can be diagnosed with a test of uri-

ne and some blood tests. Both the blood and the urine tests will reveal abnormal levels of glucose. The vet will examine the cat and establish if the symptoms are indicative of diabetes. Additional tests can be performed to establish if the condition has caused any damage in the cat's body. In advanced stages, cataracts may occur.

Hope this info helps  
Till next week  
Dr Ruan

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# Court says it is not required to publish ruling in Portuguese

**T**HE Court of First Instance has sent a dispatch to the two lawyers defending Sulu Sou and Scott Chiang listing four reasons why it is refusing to translate a 68-page ruling into Portuguese, including the fact that it is entitled to use either of Macau's official languages.

Late last week, lawyers Jorge Menezes and Pedro Leal requested a translation of the Chinese-language ruling into Portuguese in preparation for the possible next stages of the case.

The Times has obtained access to the two-page dispatch, which is written entirely in Chinese despite the fact that the request was submitted in Portuguese. Both Chinese and Portuguese enjoy the status of official language in the Macau SAR.

The dispatch notes that it is within the court's discretion to use one of the two official languages that it recognizes.

It said that not only has the court made a summary of the sentence in Portuguese, but that the defendants understand Chinese, and that the lawyers can pay for a translation if they so choose.

A legal expert who requested to remain anonymous informed the Times that the court's decision was "ridiculous" on several counts.

Firstly, the legal expert said, all four legal professionals involved in the trial speak Portuguese, but only two speak Chinese.

Secondly, although the de-



**■ The dispatch noted that the defendants understand Chinese. However, their lawyers don't**

endants are able to understand Chinese, they do not share the legal background required to fully interpret the court's ruling.

Menezes and Leal told the

media last week that they were both surprised and unhappy over the sentence, adding that they had expected their clients to be acquitted. The two lawyers said that they are studying with their clients the possibility of appealing the sentence. The verdict and sentencing may only be appealed during a 20-day period that began after the trial concluded.

The legal expert estimated that it would cost in excess of MOP45,000 and eat up at least half of the 20-day appeal period in order to have the document translated into

Portuguese. This constitutes unequal treatment with the Chinese prosecutor who does not require the translation, the expert argued.

It is not the first occasion that a request to have court documents translated into Portuguese, an official language of the MSAR, has been refused.

However, in January this year, Menezes was successful in requesting that the Court of First Instance postpone the start of the case until the lawyer could have the relevant case documents translated. **MDT**

# Sou ready to retake his seat

**S**USPENDED lawmaker Sulu Sou has told the South China Morning Post that he is ready to return to his seat.

"I am ready to return to my seat," he told the newspaper on the weekend. "I hope to be able to continue pressing on issues like greater government transparency, civil rights, human rights and freedoms."

Sou was found guilty of unlawful assembly last week and has been ordered to pay a fine of MOP40,800. The verdict and sentencing was somewhat controversial,

with some observers accusing the court of making an example out of Sou and others praising its restraint in not sentencing the young democrat to prison.

A prison sentence of more than 30 days would likely have meant Sou's permanent expulsion from the Legislative Assembly.

It is not clear whether Sou will automatically have his suspension lifted as soon as a 20-day appeal period expires, or whether his peers in the Legislative Assembly will need to vote on his return.

After the appeal deadline expires, Sou expects to begin the process of returning to the legislature. He suspects that this may take several months, but told the SCMP, he was hopeful it could be completed by mid-August.

"I am confident that I can return before the summer holidays," he said.

The Hong Kong-based newspaper, which was reporting on the case of Sulu Sou for the first time, also noted the opinion of political analysts who compared the young democrat to his Hong

Kong counterparts; the controversial Joshua Wong and Nathan Law.

One analyst, Leung Kai Yin, told the newspaper that the Liaison Office of Macau would play a critical role in determining whether the MSAR government continues to press the case against Sou. That might involve an appeal of the sentence and the opening of several other cases pending against the New Macau Association member.

"[The Liaison Office] feel[s] that the sort of social actions organized by the New Macau Association disturb the



Sulu Sou

harmony of society," he said. "They are very sensitive about this and they worry that the young people will learn from them."

## IACM rejects greyhound adoption plan

The Civic and Municipal Affairs Bureau (IACM) has rejected the greyhound adoption plan submitted by the Macau Canidrome, according to a report from public broadcaster TDM. The president of the IACM, José Tavares, told the media outlet that the company now has until Friday, June 8 to come up with another adoption plan for the approximately 600 dogs housed at the site. According to Tavares, the company had asked for more time, but that request was denied by the Bureau on the basis that the company knew two years ago that they would have to shut down operations by July 2018. Meanwhile, local animal rights group Anima (Macau) is still fighting for a role in the greyhound adoption program. Anima President Albano Martins said last week that the Canidrome is obstructing their involvement, directing the association to a website without any adoption forms.

## GGCT lowers Philippine volcano travel alert

The Tourism Crisis Management Office (GGCT) has lowered the travel alert for Albay Province in the Philippines to Level 1, following the recent weakening of activity in the Mayon volcano. Despite this lowering, the GGCT wishes to remind Macau residents who intend to travel to Albay Province, or who are already in the region, to be aware and closely follow news sources on the situation. The GGCT will keep monitoring the latest developments of the situation and advises travelers to purchase comprehensive travel insurance, urging them to verify details regarding emergencies with their insurance providers.

## AACM organizes air cargo security workshop

The Civil Aviation Authority of Macao (AACM) held a workshop last week reviewing current cargo security operations in order to cope with the new requirements of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), conducted by an ICAO aviation security consultant. The ICAO requirements will be implemented in 2021 regarding the security of the air cargo and mail supply chain. The consultant, Kyal Barter, is the program coordinator and senior aviation security advisor for ICAO's Cooperative Aviation Security Program - Asia Pacific (CASP-AP). Barter previously served with the Australian government in a role focused on transport security. The workshop took place from May 28 to June 1, during which time Barter met with representatives from government entities and airport operators.



# Architecture students present bamboo installation

**A**RCHITECTURE students of the University of Saint Joseph recently launched an exhibition titled "X-STAX" at Creative Macau, a bamboo installation that forms the centerpiece of an exhibition at the faculty's 2018 bamboo pavilion.

The exhibition showcases a series of pieces that express the movements of expansion and contraction from ceiling to floor by a tied and rotating piece of bamboo.

According to third-year architecture student, Frederick Cabio, these types of exhibitions serve as vital experience for them to be able to apply the theories they learn in the classroom.

"It's a good experience to be part of [...] because we get the general idea of what construction would be and how to deal with related small and big problems," Cabio told the Times.

According to the description of the exhibition, the pavilion is intended as a link between Macau's historical building culture and



Nuno Soares and Frederick Cabio

contemporary cityscape by applying advanced digital design techniques to vernacular construction materials.

"In the future, we need to do actual development that works. Instead of wonderful theories, we have to make sure that these theories work perfectly in real life," the architecture student added.

Meanwhile, according to Nuno Soares, acting-coordinator of USJ's Department of Architecture, this is the first time that the year three students are showcasing their work to the public – work that took a semester for the students to complete.

Soares noted that the faculty also focuses on teaching students about interacting with the public.

"This is very important in their training as an architect. Interacting with the community will part of their everyday life so they need to be able to evaluate the consequences of their work," the professor added.

USJ students' work was also presented at this year's Venice Architecture Biennale held from May 26 to 28. The Department of Architecture showcased "Urban Catalyst – Shaping the Future of Medini City," a project undertaken by USJ's urban design studio led by Soares.

Also, the architecture department is presenting the installation "X-PEAX Bamboo Pavilion" at the university, as part of USJ's "Faculty of Creative Industries Graduation Show."

The collective exhibition, which ends on June 30, groups the three departments of FCI into three different exhibitions, including a photo and video exhibition; product and graphic design exhibition; and the bamboo installation. **LV**



People board the Airport Express train, operated by MTR

## MTR accused of lying on HKD97.1b railway project

**T**HE MTR Corporation has been accused of conducting illegal activities relating to the construction of platforms at Hung Hom station in Kowloon as part of the city's most expensive railway project, the HKD97.1 billion Sha Tin-Central link.

The operator admitted late last week that it had become aware of five occasions where a subcontractor had the steel rebars cut short to appear properly installed, during the construction of the link, but failed to report its findings to authorities, as it was "not required."

The staff made it seem as though the metal structures had been screwed correctly into couplers, inside one of the two underground levels being built beneath Hung Hom station to house four platforms for the new rail line. The rail operator admitted the negligent behavior last week, but refused to disclose the identities of those involved.

The company claimed that it first discovered the faults in December 2015, according to Hong Kong reports.

However, MTR's projects director Philco Wong revised the date to August 2015 on Friday morning, arguing that it was in December 2015 that they in fact wrote to the contractor to rectify the fault, gathering criticism from lawmakers for failing to inform police authorities.

Lawmakers then slammed the company for deceiving the public and for failing to take action against the concerned parties.

Meanwhile, Hong Kong's Secretary for Transport and Housing, Frank Chan, pledged that it would report relevant information to police authorities if any illegal activities were uncovered.

MTR Corporation recently signed a contract to provide operation and maintenance assistance services to the Taipa Line of the Macau Light Rapid Transit (LRT) system for a period of 80 months, in order to cope with operations in 2019, at a cost of MOP5.88 billion.

The scope of the services includes the testing and activation of systems prior to the start-up of the Taipa Line, the formation of operation teams and the development of pre-employment training.

# Participants pleased with UN training program for tourism industry

Renato Marques

**T**HE fifth training program in "Capacity Building for Destination Marketing & Tourism Development" brought together 19 participants from different countries such as Myanmar, Pakistan and China. The event, which was held from May 24 to 31, was hosted by the Global Center for Tourism Education and Training of the Institute for Tourism Studies (IFT) and the United Nations World Tourism Organization (UNWTO).

The Times spoke to one of the participants, Nanda Soe Myint, an assistant director of the Tourism Promotion Department of the Ministry of Hotels and Tourism of Myanmar, who was part of the awards ceremony and led a group of 10 participants from the Southeast Asian country.

Nanda told the Times



Nanda Soe Myint

that participants of the one-week long course "learned a lot of new techniques and tools, especially in what concerns tourism development."

"We need to [learn] more techniques from more advanced [and experienced] countries [and regions] in this field of tourism like Macau and China and to adopt and implement those in our country too, especially on what

concerns to promotion and marketing [tools directed at] the Chinese tourists," he added.

According to the Burmese group leader, "in 2016, we have received nearly 180,000 Indonesian and Chinese tourists and last year we received [about] 200,000 Chinese tourists, [a result which we think] came from our participation in travel events and fairs namely in Beijing and Kunming

[which allow] interested Chinese tourists to learn more about Myanmar."

Nanda added that although there are no concrete figures as yet, "we can say that we are already receiving more [tourists] than last year," noting that these tourists visit the country, "[mostly] to [see our] cultural heritage but also they show interest in new experiences that we can offer, as we have a [broad] variety of tourism products, like in the northern part where we have the snowcap mountain and in the south we have beaches and islets, so in one destination they can experience a variety of experiences," he explained.

Last week, IFT held a certificate presentation ceremony for all the participants.

The group also met with the Secretary for Social Affairs and Culture, Alexis Tam.

The training program included case studies, experience sharing, presentations and site visits as well as lectures delivered by IFT professors and other invited scholars. Visits to Macau's historical center were also included.

The integrated resorts were not left out of the sites visited and studied, with a tour being held at the MGM Cotai resort which also included a session in which MGM's Catarina Lio and Frederica Fok delivered a talk on destination marketing and branding strategies.

This is the fifth time that a program of this kind is held by IFT since the Centre was established with the purpose of enhancing the quality of human capital and increasing the competitiveness of tourism destinations, particularly in the Asia Pacific Region, and achieving sustainable tourism development.



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#### Tai Nin – Macau

(Ref: 18050679)  
850 sq.ft. HKD 8,800

Lovely furnished one bedroom apartment near Senado Square. Bright open planned living room, dining room and kitchen. Great size double bedrooms built in wardrobe in bedroom. Fourth floor of a walk up building very close to cafes, shops, banks, bus stop, a unique chance to live in Central Macau.

### FOR SALE



#### Jubilee Court, Macau

(Ref: 18030672)  
2,200 sq.ft. HKD 15.98M  
Rate: HKD 7,263

Great size four bedroom apartment in downtown Macau, across the road from Star World and next to the Landmark this apartment is well located. Two double bedrooms have built wardrobes and walk in shower rooms. The other two bedrooms share a bathroom. Plenty of bespoke storage throughout the property.



#### Panorama Penthouse Apartment

(Ref: 18015542)  
4,851 sq.ft. HKD 28M  
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Lower level comprising open plan lounge and dining area. This level also includes an indoor pool, 4 bedrooms & 4 bathrooms. The upper mezzanine level has a room ideal for use as a study, this area also provides access to the roof area dedicated to this apartment. Asking price includes use of one parking onsite parking space.



#### Bauhinia Court, Hellene Gardens

(Ref: 18015543)  
1,663 sq.ft. HKD 6.8M  
Rate: HKD 4,798

Stunning 3 bedroom top floor apartment with twin-carpark that accommodates 3 cars. The master bedroom has green views over the mountains and has a large fitted wardrobe the length of one wall, with modern en suite bathroom. The other two guest rooms are a good size sharing the charcoal / white modern shower room. All rooms fully air conditioned including the kitchen.



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This property is centrally located in Taipa and enjoys exclusive access to the corresponding rooftop area. The internal area does need some TLC which makes it a unique opportunity for investors to renovate and force appreciation. The property is currently tenanted but can be viewed with prior arrangement.



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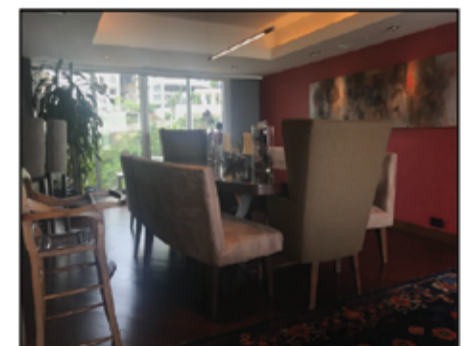
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3,398 sq.ft. HKD 21M  
Rate: HKD 6,180

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# Anti-corruption handbook for PSC launched

Julie Zhu

**A** presentation of the Handbook on Anti-Corruption Legislation in Portuguese-Speaking Countries (PSC) and regions has been given at the Consulate General of Portugal, with lawyer Duarte Santana Lopes delivering the presentation.

During his talk, Lopes noted that the handbook is not so much about uncovering corruption, but about its prevention. The handbook is for clients who are seeking business deals in the jurisdiction covered by the handbook, he said.

The handbook mainly covers corruption rules in the Portuguese-speaking countries and regions including Portugal, Angola, Mozambique and Macau.

When comparing Portugal to Macau, Duarte Santana Lopes said, "Portuguese legislation also criminalizes certain content that is not criminalized in Macau, which is the undue receiving of an advantage. The difference of this crime to the corruption crime itself is that the



Duarte Santana Lopes (standing)

offering or the acceptance of this particular advantage does not have to be intended for the public officials [to] carry out."

In Portugal, there is a specific framework for holders of political offices and holders of high public offices.

"Although these entities are obviously subject to the general corruption crime in the public sector, [...] Macau does not have a specific regime for this

kind of [position]," the lawyer said.

Regarding punishment of corruption in the private sector, a law has been set out to criminalize active and passive corruption whenever carried out by, or related to, any person holding management or administrative positions in private sector entities.

"It should also be noted that in relation to this regime or this

law in Macau, that the maximum [...] applicable penalty, in this case, can be increased," Lopes stated.

In both Macau and Portugal, corrupt behavior by civil servants and staff in other departments is punishable by law.

Concerning another comparisons between Portuguese legislation and Macau legislation, both the MSAR and Portugal's anti-corruption laws have extraterritorial application.

"In Macau and in Portugal, the rule is that the respective criminal laws are only applicable to facts that were carried out in the respective territories," Lopes explained, also pointing out that, in Portugal, companies can be held criminally responsible for all crimes of corruption that are set out in the Portuguese legislation, which is not the case in Macau.

"The rule in both Macau and Portugal is that only [an] individual can be criminally responsible for crimes," the lawyer highlighted, further noting that an extension of responsibility to corporate entities can be found in Portugal, whereas such an

extension can only be found in Macau in regard to foreign trade issues.

"I have to be honest, I think the Macau legislation is not up to date [at] this particular point. I think it is quite surprising and it is quite strange that criminal liability for cooperate entities in terms of corruption is only set out for the specific crime [foreign trade] and not for all the crimes that are foreseeing and that are set out in the Macau law," said Lopes.

Asked whether the existence of compliance programs excludes corporate liability for crimes of corruption, Lopes commented: "I think it is one of the most important legal provisions that a certain jurisdiction can have in order to be effective to prevent corruption."

However, according to the Handbook, neither Portugal nor Macau has explicit rules on the topic.

"In Macau and in Portugal, there is no explicit rule regarding the exclusion of the criminal liability of corporate entities. In Macau, [...] there is no explicit rule, although there is [a] rule that says something like this, [...] which is something like [stating] corporate entities are not liable for the acts by their employees or representatives, when those employees or representatives acted against explicit rules issued by those companies," said the lawyer.

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## Disney's Japan neighborhood pushed as possible casino location

Maiko Takahashi

**T**HE list of Japanese regions battling for a coveted spot for the development of casino resorts ranges from Osaka to Hokkaido. Add Mickey Mouse's neighborhood to the possibilities.

Chiba, a prefecture on the outskirts of Tokyo that is home to Disneyland, is gaining attention, with proponents citing the area's convention centers and Japan's

largest airport as selling points. While the area's supporters, mostly a group of small local businesses, say strong resident support gives it an edge over high-profile destinations such as Yokohama, the local government has yet to come on board.

Chiba would join many other communities across Japan jockeying for position alongside operators such as MGM Resorts International and Las Vegas

Sands Corp. as the nation inches toward legalizing casino gambling. The Japanese parliament is currently discussing a casino implementation bill, which will allow for three cities to host integrated resorts. Analysts estimate the industry could be worth as much as USD25 billion.

The process has a long way to go, and it's too early to gauge which regions will be chosen. Casino operators, likely accom-

panied by a coalition of Japanese partners, must first win endorsement of a regional government. They then present a joint proposal to the central authorities to be considered for a license.

Osaka is among the early favorites to win a spot. The governor of the prefecture and the city mayor are actively pushing to bring an integrated resort to the city. Hokkaido and Nagasaki are also contenders with proactive

local governments.

The lack of such backing is a major hurdle for the Chiba effort. While the city assembly in 2013 passed a resolution promoting integrated resorts in the area, its mayor hasn't yet made his position clear. A Chiba city representative said the government is doing research on integrated resorts from a neutral standpoint.

"The problem about Chiba is that it's not clear what the local administration wants to do," said Toru Mihara, a professor at the Osaka University of Commerce. "Chiba's rivals will be cities around Tokyo. No one has officially raised their hand yet, but they will make their position clearer when a casino implementation bill passes."

The backing of local residents could be a significant factor in a country where two-thirds of citizens oppose gambling because of the social impact. Yokohama's mayor was pushing for a resort, but backed away because many voters didn't support gambling.

The main advocate for Chiba is a coalition formed a year ago by the heads of several local companies representing industries from health care to design. Their ultimate plan is to build a 534 thousand-square-meter (5.7 million-square-foot) floating island offshore that is accessible to luxury cruise ships. Ikuo Kantake, president of the coalition, said the project would cost 64 billion yen (\$587 million) and take two years to build.

The proponents see a natural synergy with Tokyo Disneyland in attracting tourists. But don't read anything into the group's provisional name: The Future of Chiba MICE-IR. MICE is an industry acronym for meetings, incentives, conventions and exhibitions, and has no connection with Mickey or Minnie. **Bloomberg**

## Malaysia to penalize owners who don't replace Takata airbags

Eileen Ng, Kuala Lumpur

**M**ALAYSIA'S transport minister said Saturday that owners of more than 71,000 affected Honda cars will be penalized if they fail to replace flawed Takata air bags, in a drastic move to curb fatalities.

The deaths of seven people in Malaysia have been linked to the defective air bags that are subject to one of the world's largest auto recalls. The latest victim was a 23-year old student whose 2004 Honda City crashed in Kuala Lumpur on May 27, the second death this year alone.

Transport Minister An-

thonny Loke said owners of 71,315 Honda cars have still not responded to the recall replacement and will be barred from renewing their road tax if they don't do so.

"The 71,315 cars are like a time bomb that can kill anytime [...] the government has to take such a drastic measure because human lives are more important than a little inconvenience," Loke said after visiting the victim's family at their home.

In the latest case, he said a 2-centimeter-long shrapnel was found embedded on the left of the victim's neck after his car crashed into a tree.

Loke said Honda has sent 28 recall notices to the victim's family but it didn't reach them because they moved and didn't update their address with the

■ All the deaths in Malaysia involved the Honda City, a subcompact made for Asia and Europe

Road Transport Department. The last letter was dated May 22, five days before the crash, he said.

Pong Yew Loong, the victim's father, told reporters that the family wasn't aware of the recall and didn't receive any letter.

"It is proven that over the last four years, the awareness campaign is not enough, the awareness campaign has not been effective," Loke said.

He said he will meet car manufacturers next week to discuss further measures.

The latest Malaysian death raised the global death toll linked to the defect to 23. The U.S., with 15 dea-



A Honda technician works on an airbag during a free airbag replacement event in Kuala Lumpur

ths, and Australia with one are the only other countries to have reported such fatalities.

All the deaths in Malaysia involved the Honda City, a subcompact made for Asia and Europe. Families of some Malaysian victims have blamed Honda, the leading foreign brand in the country, of not doing enough to warn car owners of potentially deadly risks from the air bags or track

down second-hand car owners.

The defective air bags have faulty inflators and propellant devices that may deploy improperly in an accident, shooting out metal fragments that can kill or injure.

Last year, Takata pleaded guilty to fraud in a U.S. court and agreed to pay more than USD1 billion in penalties for concealing the defect. **AP**





# Airbus sees demand beyond Qantas for ultra long range plane

Benjamin Katz, Angus Whitley

**G**LOBAL airlines are increasingly aiming for ultra-long haul flights and Airbus SE said it expects more carriers to order planes that can fly from one end of the Earth to the other.

The European planemaker sees demand for between 50 and 100 orders for a longer-range version of the A350 model, capable of flying from Sydney to London nonstop, Airbus's chief salesman Eric Schulz said in Sydney yesterday.

Airbus and its rival Boeing Co. are talking to Qantas Airways Ltd., Australia's biggest carrier, for a plane that can fly the Sydney-London route without a break, company officials said. Called Project Sunrise, it would put Rio de Janeiro, Cape Town, New York or Paris within direct reach of Australia's eastern seaboard, according to Qantas. Air New Zealand Ltd. could also consider a longer-range version of the A350, Airbus's Schulz said.

"The heart of that long-range market will continue to be in Asia," Randy Tinseth, vice president of marketing for Boeing commercial, said separately in an interview in Sydney.

The Chicago-based planemaker is still in talks with Qantas about the exact plane that can fly Sydney to London nonstop, Tinseth said. One long-range market with particular potential is Asia-Latin America, he said, adding it's "hard to say" how many of those aircraft would be sold worldwide beyond Qantas.

A wave of ultra-long flights that will get you halfway around the world in one hop is pushing aircraft manufacturers to come up with planes and engines that can ferry people for 19 and 20 hours nonstop. This year, Qantas started a Perth to London 17-hour service using a Boeing Co. Dreamliner and Singapore Airlines Ltd. last month said it's reviving the Singapore-New York service, a 19-hour flight that will become the world's longest.

Qantas is "getting very confident" about such long-range flights, the

airline's Chief Executive Officer Alan Joyce told reporters in Sydney.

"The economics are working. Perth-London is making money from day one," he said.

Once the airline is comfortable with the technical evaluation, it will start the process for getting proposals, Joyce said.

"We'll do that this year into next year," Joyce said. "Airbus and Boeing are keeping slots for us so it's feasible for us to do at that stage. We still have to go through a few hurdles."

## Qantas has challenged both Airbus and Boeing to build a jet by 2022 that can fly 20 hours fully loaded from Sydney to London

Joyce has challenged both Airbus and Boeing to build a jet by 2022 that can fly 20 hours fully loaded from Sydney to London without a break. Airbus is assessing all options, including reducing seat capacity, adding more fuel cells and modifications to engines, Schulz said.

Joyce has described nonstop flights to New York and London from Australian cities such as Sydney and Melbourne as the "last frontier" of aviation, after which all of the world's major cities will have non-stop air links. Options for making such long flights more bearable would include introducing a new four-class structure, with part of the cargo hold utilized for sleeping berths, Joyce has said.

The airline's first Perth-London flight started in March, signaling the beginning of the end of the so-called Kangaroo Route, which has seen planes make the journey from Europe to Australia in a series of hops since the advent of aviation. **Bloomberg**

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# Mattis criticizes Beijing over 'militarization' of South China Sea

Lolita C. Baldor, Singapore

U.S. Defense Secretary Jim Mattis on Saturday raised the prospect of additional American steps against China if its "militarization" of the South China Sea keeps apace. He said Beijing was intimidating and coercing others in the region by putting weapons systems on manmade islands.

President Donald Trump, backing the remarks by his Pentagon chief at an international security forum in Singapore, said on Twitter: "Very surprised that China would be doing this?"

Mattis said the Trump administration's recent decision to disinvite China from a multinational naval exercise this summer was an "initial response" to Beijing's island activity. Mattis called the U.S. action a "relatively small consequence. I believe there are much larger consequences in the future."

China's reliance on military muscle to achieve its goals "is not a way to make long-term collabo-



U.S. Defense Secretary Jim Mattis

ration the rule of the road in a region that's important to China's future," Mattis said, when asked to elaborate.

"There are consequences that will continue to come home to roost, so to speak, with China, if they don't find a way to work more collaboratively with all of the nations who have interests," he said.

The bluster comes at a delicate time in U.S.-China relations, as the Trump administration is wa-

rily asking for China's help with North Korea ahead of a June 12 summit, while also threatening a trade war. Trump renewed his threat to hike tariffs on Chinese goods, just days before his commerce secretary's arrived in Beijing on Saturday for trade talks.

Mattis said there was little doubt about Beijing's intentions. "Despite China's claims to the contrary, the placement of these weapons systems is tied directly to military use for the purposes of

intimidation and coercion," Mattis said at the annual Shangri-La Dialogue.

China recently has deployed anti-ship missiles, surface-to-air missiles, electronic jammers and other equipment on the Spratly Islands, and landed a bomber aircraft at Woody Island.

Mattis also touched on Taiwan, a longstanding dispute between the U.S. and China. He said Washington will continue to provide defense equipment and services to Taiwan and oppose any effort to alter the status quo. China claims the self-governing island as its own territory to be brought under its control by force, if necessary.

But he also said the U.S. welcomes cooperation with China "wherever possible," and announced that he has accepted Beijing's invitation to visit soon. It was not immediately clear whether that invitation would stand after the conference.

Mattis' comments drew a pointed reaction from a Chinese official at the meeting.

Senior Col. Zhao Xiaozhuo said a U.S. move to send two warships into China's "territorial waters" was a violation of law, and an "obvious provocation to China's national security and territorial integrity."

Mattis responded that the question reflected a fundamental disconnect with the way international tribunals have spoken on the matter.

"We do not see it as a militarization by going through what has traditionally been an international water space," said Mattis of the U.S. ship movements through the South China Sea. "What we see it as, is a reaffirmation of the rules-based order."

Two U.S. warships sailed close to the Paracel Islands on May 27 in the latest freedom of navigation operation designed to challenge Beijing's claims. China protested the maneuver.

The previous week the U.S. had withdrawn an invitation for Beijing to participate in the exercise known as Rim of the Pacific. The Pentagon said the decision to disinvite the Chinese Navy was triggered by what it called strong evidence that China has deployed weapons systems on the islands. China says it is within its rights to build up defenses on islands in the South China Sea that it believes are its sovereign territory. **AP**

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# PRC warns US trade deals off if tariffs go ahead

**C**HINA warned yesterday after another round of talks on a sprawling trade dispute with Washington that any deals they produce "will not take effect" if President Donald Trump's threatened tariff hike on Chinese goods goes ahead.

The warning came after delegations led by U.S. Commerce Secretary Wilbur Ross and China's top economic official, Vice Premier Liu He, wrapped up a meeting on Beijing's pledge to narrow its trade surplus. Ross said at the start of the event they had discussed specific American exports China might purchase, but the talks ended with no joint statement and neither side released details.

The White House threw the meeting's status into doubt last week by renewing a threat to impose 25 percent tariffs on USD50 billion of Chinese high-tech goods in response to complaints Beijing steals or pressures foreign companies to hand over technology. The event went ahead despite that but Beijing said it reserved the right to retaliate.

Tuesday's announcement revived fears the conflict between the two biggest economies might dampen global growth or encourage other governments to raise their own barriers to imports.

"If the United States introduces trade sanctions including a tariff increase, all the economic and trade achievements negotiated by the two parties will not take

effect," said the Chinese statement, carried by the official Xinhua News Agency.

The negotiating process should be "based on the premise" of not fighting a "trade war," the statement said.

The American Embassy in Beijing didn't immediately respond to a request for comment.

Trump is pressing Beijing to narrow its politically volatile trade surplus with the United States, which reached a record \$375.2 billion last year.

Tensions eased after China promised on May 19 to "significantly increase" purchases of farm goods, energy and other products and services following the last round of talks in Washington. U.S. Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin said the dispute was "on hold" and the tariff hike would be postponed.

That truce appeared to end with last week's surprise announcement. It said the White House also will impose curbs on Chinese investment and purchases of U.S. high-tech goods and on visas for Chinese students.

Analysts suggested Trump might be trying to appease critics of his administration's deal to allow Chinese telecom equipment giant ZTE Corp. to stay in business. They said those politi-



Wilbur Ross (second from left) and Chinese Vice Premier Liu He (right) arrive to attend a meeting at the Diaoyutai State Guesthouse in Beijing

cal pressures mean the technology-related tariff hikes are likely to go ahead.

Members of Congress criticized the agreement to lift a ban on sales of U.S. components to ZTE, which admitted violating rules on exports to Iran and North Korea. In exchange, the company is to remove its management team, hire American compliance officers and pay a fine.

Trump has threatened to raise tariffs on a total of up to \$150 billion of Chinese goods. Tuesday's announcement gave no indication whether the other increases might also go ahead.

China has threatened to retaliate by raising import duties on a \$50 billion list of American goods including soybeans, small aircraft, whiskey, electric vehicles and orange juice. It criticized Tuesday's announcement but refrained from repeating its earlier threat.

Beijing has resisted U.S. pressure to commit to a firm target of narrowing its annual surplus with the United States by \$200 billion.

Private sector analysts say while Beijing is willing to compromise on its trade surplus, it will resist changes that might threaten

plans to transform China into a global technology competitor.

Ross was accompanied by agriculture, treasury and trade officials for the meeting at the Diaoyutai State Guesthouse, a leafy compound on Beijing's west side. Liu's delegation included China's central bank governor and commerce minister.

Ross and Liu held a working dinner Saturday ahead of their talks. "Our meetings so far have been friendly and frank, and covered some useful topics about specific export items," said Ross at the opening of yesterday's meeting.

The U.S. pressure over technology policy reflects growing American concern about China's status as a potential competitor and complaints Beijing improperly subsidizes its fledgling industries and shields them from competition.

Foreign governments and businesses cite strategic plans such as "Made in China 2025," which calls for state-led efforts to create Chinese industry leaders in areas from robots to electric cars to computer chips.

Trade analysts had warned Ross's hand might be weakened by the Trump administration's decision Thursday to go ahead with tariffs on steel and aluminum imports from Canada, Europe and Mexico.

That might alienate allies who share complaints about Chinese technology policy and a flood of low-priced steel, aluminum and other exports they say are the result of improper subsidies and hurt foreign competitors. **AP**

## HEALTH

# Road to Chinese drug riches runs through the Bronx, New Jersey

Venus Feng, Yoojung Lee

**L**OU Jing earned a Ph.D. at Fordham University in the Bronx before completing post-doctoral studies at the National Institutes of Health. Frank Zhang got his from Duke University before heading to New Jersey for a job with Schering-Plough Corp.

The two Chinese have much more in common than just a U.S. education. They're among at least 15 billionaires to emerge from their country's booming pharmaceutical industry, the world's second-biggest, as China recently adopted rules to speed up drug approvals.

Lou, the 55-year-old chairman of 3SBio Inc., owns 26 percent of the drugmaker directly and through holding com-

panies with his father and wife, giving him a \$1.8 billion fortune, according to the Bloomberg Billionaires Index. A spokeswoman declined to comment on his wealth.

His net worth surged more than 30-fold over the past five years after Lou opted to delist from Nasdaq and return to his homeland in 2013, when the company's market value was \$392 million. Shares of the firm, which makes drugs to treat breast cancer and immune thrombocytopenia, a blood disorder, started trading in Hong Kong two years later. Today it's worth about \$7.3 billion.

"When he was a graduate student, I did not perceive that he had any interest in the potential financial benefits of doing science," Berish Rubin, a biology

professor who taught Lou at Fordham, said in an email. "He was genuinely interested in the discovery process and he went about it in a very systematic and effective manner."

China, the world's most populous country, has an aging problem. The United Nations projects the number of Chinese 65 and over will exceed those 14 or younger by 2030. "Given the demographics in China, given the increased health-care spending, the cost of health-care reform, we feel that we are one of the best-positioned companies that will be benefiting from this going forward," Chief Financial Officer Bo Tan said Wednesday in an interview with Bloomberg Television.

Zhang is the chairman and chief executive officer of GenScript Biotech

Corp., the first company to win Chinese government approval to start human trials for a blood cancer treatment called CAR-T. Shares of the company, in which he owns a 21 percent stake, more than doubled since the December announcement, lifting his net worth to \$1.3 billion. A spokeswoman confirmed his stock ownership.

Zhang, 53, studied biochemistry at Duke and was a postdoctoral research fellow and an associate principal scientist at Schering-Plough before he founded GenScript in New Jersey in 2002. The company, which conducts research and has its main production in Nanjing, China, forged a partnership with Janssen Biotech, a unit of Johnson & Johnson, receiving a \$350 million payment last year.



It's considering a separate listing on Nasdaq or the Hong Kong stock exchange in about three years for Nanjing Legend Biotech, its cancer-drug arm, Zhang said in an interview earlier this year.

China's health-care industry is on a tear, with revenue climbing an average of 26 percent last year for 253 Chinese biotech and pharmaceutical companies examined by Bloomberg.

Health care has "demonstrated solid financial performance, revenue and profit growth, leading all industrial sectors," Zhang

Jialin, an industry analyst at ICBC International in Hong Kong, said in an email. "Favorable policies are being carried out by regulators to speed drug review and approval."

An extreme example is Chongqing Zhifei Biological Products Co., which tripled its revenue in 2017 from a year earlier as the government cleared it to market an HPV vaccine in a partnership with Merck & Co. That vaulted Chairman Jiang Rensheng, 64, into the Bloomberg ranking of the world's 500 richest people with a \$4.7 billion fortune. **Bloomberg**



# Trump-Kim summit is back on. How do Singaporeans feel?

**N**OW that the historic summit between President Donald Trump and North Korean leader Kim Jong Un is back on track on June 12, the Associated Press took the streets of Singapore — the Southeast Asian city-state hosting the talks — to find out what its residents think and feel about the meeting.

Common themes found in the respondents' answers are that of low expectations and uncertainty over whether the summit will actually be held.

“At the rate the two political leaders are going, we can only say that the summit is confirmed when they actually arrive in Singapore,” said Pat Chan, a commercial manager.

It is a sentiment echoed by officer manager Jennifer Yuen, who said that she hopes it will materialize because “both leaders are so unpredictable.”

Both respondents feel that, should the summit go ahead, it will reflect well on Singapore.

“If the summit ends well, it will reflect well on Singapore. If it ends badly, likewise the Singapore brand will be tarnished in a way

even though it's not within our control,” said Chan.

“The summit will put Singapore on the world map again for its capability and efficiency,” complemented Yuen. “The meeting will be a good start and small step to achieving world peace. Both leaders need to be open-minded and receptive, and have faith that the other will not renege on what is agreed.”

For Joys Tan, however, the summit is somewhat of a farce.

“I do not have any interest in the meeting,” said Tan. “It could very well end as an embellishment in a long line of past historic events where treaties were drawn, but never meant much in the long run.”

**“One is a liar, racist and all things repugnant, and the other is almost equally bad.”**

MARJORIE GOH



“There is so much hype around the meeting that it has become a public display of fake politeness and geniality. Both parties need to subsequently keep communicating, without this dramatic display in order for this meeting to be meaningful.”

Others are even more skeptical. Marjorie Goh said she has even lower expectations for the summit.

“One is a liar, racist and all things repugnant, and the other is almost equally bad,” said Goh. “Both have nuclear weapons that threaten the world we live in — I don't like either of them.” MDT/AP

# Nearly half of Afghan children are not in school

**N**EARLY half of Afghanistan's children are not attending school because of war, poverty and other factors, a new report showed yesterday.

The study, released by the Education Ministry and the U.N. children's agency, said that 3.7 million, or 44 percent, of all school-age children are not attending school. It marks the first time since the U.S.-led invasion of Afghanistan in 2001 that the rate of attendance has declined, following years of steady gains in education for boys as well as girls, who were banned from attending school under the Taliban.

The survey says girls account for 60 percent of those being denied an education.

“Business as usual is not an option for Afghanistan if we are to fulfil the right to education for every child,” Adele Khodr, UNICEF's Afghanistan representative, said in a sta-

tement. “When children are not in school, they are at an increased danger of abuse, exploitation and recruitment.”

The Taliban have seized several districts across the country in recent years, as the U.S.-backed government has struggled to combat the insurgency. A long-running financial crisis, exacerbated by widespread corruption, has further hindered government efforts to expand access to education.

Widespread poverty forces many families to push their daughters into early marriages, often with much older men. The legal age for marriage in Afghanistan is 18, but the law is poorly enforced, particularly in conservative, rural areas.

Girls' education is still frowned upon in much of the conservative Muslim country, and is banned in the steadily expanding areas controlled by the Taliban. AP

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PHILIPPINES

# Duterte tells UN expert 'to go to hell' over criticism

**P**HILIPPINE President Rodrigo Duterte lashed out yesterday at another U.N. human rights expert for making critical remarks about his supposed role in the expulsion of the chief justice, telling him "to go to hell."

Duterte dismissed the remarks of Diego Garcia-Sayan and told him not to meddle in domestic problems. Duterte was replying to a reporter's question before flying on a visit to South Korea.

"Tell him not to interfere with the affairs of my country. He can go to hell," Duterte said in a late-night televised news conference. "He is not a special person and I do not recognize his rapporteur title."

Garcia-Sayan told reporters in Manila last week that the unprecedented ouster of Maria Lourdes Sereno as chief justice after Duterte lambasted her in public is an attack on judicial independence that could put Philippine democracy at risk.

Duterte has reacted with similar public outbursts in the past against other U.N. rapporteurs who raised alarm and sought an independent investigation into his bloody campaign against illegal drugs, which has left thousands of mostly poor drug suspects dead. Police blamed the deaths on clashes with law enforcers.

Sereno's ouster has generated "a climate of intimidation" in the 15-member high court and other



Duterte arrived yesterday to South Korea

levels of the judiciary, Garcia-Sayan said in an interview with The Associated Press in Manila.

He added that there was no formal U.N. investigation into Sereno's removal, but as the U.N. rapporteur who looks into threats to independence of judges and lawyers worldwide, he had to speak up when problems are reported anywhere in the world.

He cited his upcoming report on such a threat to the judiciary in Poland.

"For a rapporteur of the U.N. on independence of justice to keep silent when a chief justice in any country in the world, even in my country, would be dismissed in such way is impossible, and it will be immoral to stay silent," Garcia-Sayan, a former justice

and foreign minister of Peru, said.

He said he sent questions to the Philippine government about the circumstances leading to the May 11 ouster of Sereno and expressed hopes that the Duterte administration would reply within 60 days and agree to a dialogue on issues that could threaten the judiciary's independence.

Sereno, 57, was expelled by an 8-6 vote on a petition filed by government Solicitor General Jose Calida, who accused her of failing to file asset disclosures as a state university law professor years ago, a charge she denies. It pre-empted impeachment proceedings against Sereno that were then underway in Congress.

Sereno has appealed the ruling, citing a constitutional principle that top judiciary officials can only be removed by congressional impeachment. A majority of the 23-member Senate, including some Duterte allies, has asked the Supreme Court to review its decision, calling it a "dangerous precedent" that infringed on Congress' power to impeach senior officials.

Presidential spokesman Harry Roque said Garcia-Sayan was misinformed and added that while Duterte has been critical of Sereno for claiming that he plotted against her, the president had no hand in her expulsion. His dislike of Sereno "is not an attack to the judiciary or an affront to judicial independence," Roque said. **AP**

INDONESIA

# Merapi volcano ejects towering column of ash

**I**NDONESIA'S Mount Merapi erupted twice on Friday, shooting ash plumes as high as 6 kilometers in the sky and forcing the closure of two airports.

The National Disaster Mitigation Agency said the volcano's alert status, raised last month from the lowest level, was unchanged and a 3-kilometer no-go zone around the crater remains in force.

It said the first eruption occurred at 8:20 a.m. and lasted two minutes. Merapi erupted again in the evening, spewing volcanic ash as high as 2.4 kilometers, the local volcanology agency said.

Materials unleashed by the first eruption were blown northward, forcing the temporary closure of Ahmad Yani International airport in the Central Java capital of Semarang



and Ade Sumarno Airport in Solo, officials said.

The mountain is about 30 kilometers from Yogyakarta city on the densely populated island of Java.

About a quarter million people live within a 10-kilometer radius of the volcano. Merapi's last major

eruption in 2010 killed 347 people.

Indonesia, an archipelago of more than 250 million people, sits on the Pacific "Ring of Fire" and is prone to earthquakes and volcanic eruptions. Government seismologists monitor more than 120 active volcanoes. **AP**

# India, Pakistan trade fire in Kashmir; two dead

**T**wo paramilitary soldiers were killed and eight civilians wounded yesterday when Pakistani soldiers attacked dozens of forward posts along the highly militarized frontier in disputed Kashmir, Indian officials said.

The fighting comes barely a week after the two nuclear-armed rivals agreed to stop trading fire along the volatile frontier and uphold a cease-fire accord dating back 15 years. The two sides last week agreed to defuse tensions in Kashmir and use existing mechanisms of hotline contacts and border meetings at local commanders' level to resolve the issues.

Pakistan did not immediately comment.

Indian border guards said Pakistan "yet again blatantly" violated the 2003-cessation-agree-

ment and they were retaliating. They said the Pakistani shelling was "indiscriminate and unprovoked" and was not just targeting paramilitary outposts but also villages.

Indian authorities were first trying to evacuate sick and injured villagers living near the frontier in bulletproof vehicles amid intense shelling and automatic gunfire, said top police officer S.D. Singh.

Singh said they have kept temporary shelters ready to receive frontier residents.

Tensions have soared in recent months, as both sides have shelled border posts and villages. Each side has accused the other of starting the hostilities in violation of the 2003 accord.

India says 25 civilians and 18 soldiers have been killed this year

in over 800 cease-fire violations initiated by Pakistan.

Pakistan accuses Indian forces of more than 1,050 cease-fire violations this year, resulting in the deaths of 28 civilians and injuries to 117 others.

The soldiers from the two nations have engaged in fierce border skirmishes along the rugged and mountainous Line of Control, as well as a lower-altitude 200-kilometer boundary separating Indian-controlled Kashmir and the Pakistani province of Punjab, where most of the latest fighting occurred.

India and Pakistan have a long history of bitter relations over Kashmir, which both claim. They have fought two of their three wars since 1947 over their competing claims to the region. **AP**



## HEALTH

# Many breast cancer patients can skip chemo, big study finds

Marilynn Marchione, Chicago

**M**OST women with the most common form of early-stage breast cancer can safely skip chemotherapy without hurting their chances of beating the disease, doctors are reporting from a landmark study that used genetic testing to gauge each patient's risk.

The study is the largest ever done of breast cancer treatment, and the results are expected to spare up to 70,000 patients a year in the United States and many more elsewhere the ordeal and expense of these drugs.

"The impact is tremendous," said the study leader, Dr. Joseph Sparano of Montefiore Medical Center in New York. Most women in this situation don't need treatment beyond surgery and hormone therapy, and "the rest of them are receiving chemotherapy unnecessarily."

The study was funded by the National Cancer Institute, some foundations and proceeds from the U.S. breast cancer postage stamp. Results were discussed Sunday at an American Society of Clinical Oncology conference in Chicago and published by the New England Journal of Medicine. Some study leaders consult for breast cancer drugmakers or for the company that makes the gene test.

## MOVING AWAY FROM CHEMO

Cancer care has been evolving away from chemotherapy — older drugs with harsh side effects — in favor of gene-targeting therapies, hormone blockers and immune system treatments. When chemo is used now, it's sometimes for shorter periods or lower doses than it once was.

For example, another study at



Adine Usher, 78, meets with breast cancer study leader Dr. Joseph Sparano at the Montefiore and Albert Einstein College of Medicine

the conference found that Merck's immunotherapy drug Keytruda worked better than chemo as initial treatment for most people with the most common type of lung cancer, and with far fewer side effects.

The breast cancer study focused on cases where chemo's value increasingly is in doubt: women with early-stage disease that has not spread to lymph nodes, is hormone-positive (meaning its growth is fueled by estrogen or progesterone) and is not the type that the drug Herceptin targets.

The usual treatment is surgery followed by years of a hormone-blocking drug. But many women also are urged to have chemo to help kill any stray cancer cells. Doctors know that most don't need it, but evidence is thin on

who can forgo it.

The study gave 10,273 patients a test called Oncotype DX, which uses a biopsy sample to measure the activity of genes involved in cell growth and response to hormone therapy, to estimate the risk that a cancer will recur.

## WHAT THE STUDY FOUND

About 17 percent of women had high-risk scores and were advised to have chemo. The 16 percent with low-risk scores now know they can skip chemo, based on earlier results from this study.

The new results are on the 67 percent of women at intermediate risk. All had surgery and hormone therapy, and half also got chemo.

After nine years, 94 percent of both groups were still alive, and

about 84 percent were alive without signs of cancer, so adding chemo made no difference.

Certain women 50 or younger did benefit from chemo; slightly fewer cases of cancer spreading far beyond the breast occurred among some of them given chemo, depending on their risk scores on the gene test.

## WILL PEOPLE TRUST THE RESULTS?

All women like those in the study should get gene testing to guide their care, said Dr. Richard Schilsky, chief medical officer of the oncology society. Oncotype DX costs around USD4,000, which Medicare and many insurers cover. Similar tests including one called MammaPrint also are widely used.

Testing solved a big problem of figuring out who needs chemo, said Dr. Harold Burstein of the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute in Boston. Many women think "if I don't get chemotherapy I'm going to die, and if I get chemo I'm going to be cured," but the results show there's a sliding scale of benefit and sometimes none, he said.

Dr. Lisa Carey, a breast specialist at the University of North Carolina's Lineberger Comprehensive Cancer Center, said she would be very comfortable advising patients to skip chemo if they were like those in the study who did not benefit from it.

Dr. Jennifer Litton at MD Anderson Cancer Center in Houston, agreed, but said, "Risk to one person is not the same thing as risk to another. There are some people who say, 'I don't care what you say, I'm never going to do chemo,'" and won't even have the gene test, she said. Others want chemo for even the smallest chance of benefit.

## The breast cancer study focused on cases where chemo's value increasingly is in doubt

Adine Usher, 78, who lives in Hartsdale, New York, joined the study 10 years ago at Montefiore and was randomly assigned to the group given chemo.

"I was a little relieved. I sort of viewed chemo as extra insurance," she said. The treatments "weren't pleasant," she concedes. Her hair fell out, she developed an infection and was hospitalized for a low white blood count, "but it was over fairly quickly and I'm really glad I had it."

If doctors had recommended she skip chemo based on the gene test, "I would have accepted that," she said. "I'm a firm believer in medical research." AP

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SPAIN

**N**EW Spanish Prime Minister Pedro Sanchez had been barely sworn in Saturday before one of the country's most critical issues facing his fragile government was pressed upon him: ending the Catalan secession crisis.

Less than two hours after Sanchez had taken his oath to uphold the Spanish Constitution, Catalan chief Quim Torra demanded to meet with Sanchez and speak "government to government" regarding the future of the wealthy yet restive northeastern region.

"Pedro Sanchez, let us talk, take risks, both you and I. Let us sit down at a table and talk, government to government," Torra said after swearing in his regional Cabinet in Barcelona on Saturday.

Torra, who was chosen by separatist lawmakers to lead the region last month, said his government "accepts the charge to continue forward with the mandate [...] to form an independent state."

Sanchez, the leader of Spain's Socialist Party, came to power after he successfully ousted conservative predecessor Mariano Rajoy, who lost a no-confidence vote in parliament on Friday.

In order to cobble together the support to cast out Rajoy, Sanchez promised to open talks with Torra in order to get the votes he needed from the Catalan pro-secession lawmakers in the national parliament.

Sanchez said last week that one



Pedro Sanchez (left) poses with King Felipe VI (center) and former Prime Minister Mariano Rajoy

of the priorities of his government would be "rebuilding bridges" with the country's regions and "establishing the foundations that allow us to normalize relations and start a dialogue between the Spanish government and the new government in Catalonia."

Sanchez, however, insisted that any solutions for Catalonia must fit within Spain's Constitution, which calls the nation "indivisible" and says national sovereignty resides in the Madrid-based parliament.

Sanchez had been Rajoy's most loyal backer of a government takeover of Catalonia's regional affairs following an illegal and

unsuccessful declaration of independence by the region's parliament in October.

That federal takeover came to an end Saturday after Torra formed his Catalan government. Torra's 13 regional ministers took oaths of allegiance to Catalonia while omitting the traditional oath of allegiance to the Spanish Constitution.

Torra, a fervent Catalan nationalist, was hand-picked by former Catalan leader Carles Puigdemont to succeed him. Puigdemont is fighting extradition from Germany to Spain, where he is sought on charges of rebellion and misuse of public funds.

Torra's prior statements in ar-

ticles social media posts deriding Spaniards have been called xenophobic by critics. He has recently apologized for those views.

Sanchez himself has called Torra "the Spanish Le Pen," aligning him with elements of the European far-right like French nationalist Marine Le Pen.

**“ Pedro Sanchez, let us talk, take risks, both you and I. Let us sit down at a table and talk, government to government.**

QUIM TORRA  
CATALONIA'S SEPARATIST PRESIDENT

Besides inheriting Spain's worst political crisis in nearly four decades, Sanchez's government will depend on the support of the far-left Podemos (We Can) party

and of a motley crew of regional parties and Catalan secessionists to get anything done in the federal government.

Spain's parliament voted Friday to replace Rajoy's government with one led by Sanchez after a ruling by the National Court delivered hefty prison sentences to 29 business people and ex-members of Rajoy's Popular Party, including some elected officials, for fraud, money laundering and tax evasion, among other crimes.

Rajoy attended Saturday's ceremony in the royal Zarzuela Palace and shook Sanchez's hand after the new leader was sworn in by King Felipe VI. The two political rivals then posed for a photo with the monarch.

Sanchez has vowed to fight corruption and help those Spaniards affected by years of public spending cuts under Rajoy's government. He also pledged to hold an election soon, while not setting a date.

Unlike the new populist government in Italy, Sanchez and his party are staunch supporters of the European Union and its shared euro currency. **AP**

ITALY

# New gov't vows to create jobs, deport migrants

Nicole Winfield, Rome

**I**TALY'S new populist leaders commemorated the founding of the Italian republic by attending a pomp-filled military parade Saturday — and then promised to get to work creating jobs and expelling migrants.

"The free ride is over," League leader Matteo Salvini, Italy's new interior minister, warned migrants at a rally in northern Italy. "It's time to pack your bags."

The pledge of mass deportations to come was a reminder that Italy has a staunchly anti-immigrant, right-wing party in its governing coalition — and that the European Union will face a whole new partner governing its fourth-largest economy.

Earlier, Salvini joined Premier Giuseppe Conte and the rest of the newly sworn-in Cabinet to view the Republic Day parade. Italy's aeronautic acrobatic

squad flew low and loud over downtown Rome trailing smoke in the red, white and green of the Italian flag.

The national pride on display is a feature of every Republic Day, but it took on a particular significance this year after Italy on Friday ended three months of political and financial turmoil and swore in a government whose populist and euroskeptic leanings have alarmed Europe.

Conte, a law professor plucked from relative obscurity to head an unlikely governing alliance of the anti-establishment 5-Star Movement and League, said the celebrations Saturday transcended all the tensions of recent days.

"It's the celebration for all of us, of our republic," he said.

Conte's Cabinet was sworn in after a last-minute deal averted the threat of a new election that could have turned into a referendum on whether Italy

stayed with the shared European euro currency. The political stability relieved financial markets on Friday but Italy's European neighbors continued to express concerns about the euroskeptic bent and the heavy spending agenda of Italy's new government.

"Italy is destroying itself — and dragging down Europe with it," read the headline of Germany's Der Spiegel magazine, the cover of which featured a forkful of spaghetti with one dangling strand tied up as a noose.

While Spiegel is known for such provocations, another Spiegel article last week drew an official protest from Italy's ambassador to Germany.

On Saturday, German Chancellor Angela Merkel phoned Conte and invited him to visit soon. Merkel's office said both leaders emphasized the importance of continued close bilateral cooperation.

Conte has so far left po-



Interior Minister Matteo Salvini walks through the crowd on the occasion of celebrations for Italy's Republic Day

licy specifics to the drivers of his improbable rise, his two deputies: Salvini and 5-Star leader Luigi Di Maio.

Di Maio, the new economic development minister, reported for work after the parade to his ministry, which would have otherwise been closed for the holiday.

"Starting today, we get to work to create work," Di Maio said in a Facebook video giving Italians a tour of the empty ministry. Di Maio is also the minister for labor, a combination he said made sense since the two ministries must work

together.

Offering the new government cautious support was Italy's small, far-right neo-fascist CasaPound party, which held its own Republic Day commemoration on Saturday. Banners featured images of a crossed-out EU flag and "#exIT" written underneath, a reference to calls for Italy to leave the 28-nation bloc.

The 5-Star-League agenda has no such plans, but Conte made clear he was irked by comments this week by European Commission President Jean-Claude Juncker, who said Italy had to stop blaming

the EU for its problems and must take responsibility to address the poverty in southern Italy. "That means more work, less corruption. Seriousness," Juncker said in comments his spokeswoman later said he regretted.

In an unscripted blast from the parade route, Conte insisted Italy wasn't alone in facing cases of corruption and declared that "we all have to work for legality."

Conte's government faces mandatory confidence votes next week in parliament, where the two governing parties have a slim majority.

Republic Day commemorates the day, June 2, 1946, when Italians voted in a referendum to abolish the monarchy in favor of a republic, Italy's first.

The political upheaval that has created western Europe's first populist government this week has been dubbed the start of Italy's Third Republic. **AP**



## what's ON



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## Offbeat

## 2 OF 4 PEACOCKS THAT ESCAPED FROM ZOO FOUND SAFE



Two of the four peacocks that escaped from the Philadelphia Zoo this week and took a stroll on a nearby highway have been found safe, a day after another was found dead on that stretch of road.

Zoo officials say a passer-by spotted the two peacocks Friday morning near an equestrian center. The tipster stayed with them until zoo workers arrived to rescue the birds. They described them as "healthy if a little hungry."

The fourth peacock remains on the loose.

The birds initially were seen walking on an interstate near the zoo on Wednesday night. State police shut down two lanes on the highway while tracking the peacocks, causing backups for miles.

Police managed to get the birds off the highway, but they flew the coop once more.

## TV canal macau



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Language: English (Chinese)

Duration: 135min



## THE WALL

ROOM 2

2:30, 9:30pm

Director: Doug Liman

Starring: Aaron Taylor-Johnson, John Cena

Language: English (Chinese)

Duration: 119min

## WHEN SUN MEETS MOON

ROOM 2

4:15, 6:00, 7:45pm

Director: Benny Lau

Starring: Kathy Yuen, Daichi Harashima, Aimee Chan

Language: Cantonese (Chinese &amp; English)

Duration: 149min

## LOVE CHUNIBYO AND OTHER DELUSIONS

ROOM 3

2:30, 4:30, 9:45pm

Director: Tatsuya Ishihara

Language: Japanese (Chinese)

## DESTINY: THE TALE OF KAMAKURA

ROOM 3

7:15pm

Director: Takashi Yamazaki

Starring: Masato Sakai, Mitsuki Takahata

Language: English (Chinese)

## this day in history



## 1989 MASSACRE IN TIANANMEN SQUARE

Several hundred civilians have been shot dead by the Chinese army during a bloody military operation to crush a democratic protest in Peking's (Beijing) Tiananmen Square.

Tanks rumbled through the capital's streets late on 3 June as the army moved into the square from several directions, randomly firing on unarmed protesters.

The injured were rushed to hospital on bicycle rickshaws by frantic residents shocked by the army's sudden and extreme response to the peaceful mass protest.

Demonstrators, mainly students, had occupied the square for seven weeks, refusing to move until their demands for democratic reform were met.

The protests began with a march by students in memory of former party leader Hu Yaobang, who had died a week before.

But as the days passed, millions of people from all walks of life joined in, angered by widespread corruption and calling for democracy.

Tonight's military offensive came after several failed attempts to persuade the protesters to leave.

Throughout the day the government warned it would do whatever it saw necessary to clamp down on what it described as "social chaos".

But even though violence was expected, the ferocity of the attack took many by surprise, bringing condemnation from around the world.

US President George Bush said he deeply deplored the use of force, and UK Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher said she was "shocked and appalled by the shootings".

Amid the panic and confusion students could be heard shouting "fascists stop killing," and "down with the government".

At a nearby children's hospital operating theatres were filled with casualties with gunshot wounds, many of them local residents who were not taking part in the protests.

Early this morning at least 30 more were killed in two volleys of gunfire, which came without warning. Terrified crowds fled, leaving bodies in the road.

Meanwhile reports have emerged of troops searching the main Peking university campus for ringleaders, beating and killing those they suspect of co-ordinating the protests.

Courtesy BBC News

## IN CONTEXT

The demonstrations in Tiananmen Square have been described as the greatest challenge to the communist state in China since the 1949 revolution.

They were called to coincide with a visit to the capital by Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev, by students seeking democratic reform.

Troops were used to clear the square despite repeated assurances from Chinese politicians that there would be no violence.

It has been suggested that the Communist leader Deng Xiaoping personally ordered their deployment as a way of shoring up his leadership.

Hundreds, and possibly thousands, of people were killed in the massacre, although it is unlikely a precise number will ever be known.

Peking has since become more widely known as Beijing.



YOUR STARS

Aries Mar. 21-Apr. 19 Throughout your day, observe everything that is going on around you. Nonverbal communication is speaking louder than words, and you'll gain a big advantage if you can decipher the underlying meaning.

Taurus April 20-May 20 It's not very easy to know what areas of your life need your attention right now - you've been out of the thick of things and not feeling totally in sync with the world for a while.

Gemini May 21-Jun. 21 Where are you going in such a hurry? Kick off your shoes, sit down and get comfortable - you're not going anywhere today. You're going to be in a bit of a holding pattern in life for a while.

Cancer Jun. 22-Jul. 22 Explore an unfamiliar outdoor space today - take a long hike, stroll the city blocks or trek through a local campus - where you go should be guided strictly by your curiosity.

Leo Jul. 23-Aug. 22 Keep an open mind and look out for shy folks who don't quite know how to get your attention. You'll have to take the initiative to get them to spill, but if you're ready to be someone else's missing link.

Virgo Aug. 23-Sept. 22 It's time to go back to the beginning to get the inspiration you need today. Remember back when you were enthusiastic about where you were going? The passion is still there.

Libra Sep.23-Oct. 22 Unexpected delays will work in your favor, and they'll give you a little extra time to put some polish on your best smile and better your chances of improving someone very special.

Scorpio Oct. 23 - Nov. 21 Every brick wall you encounter today is not meant to be climbed over. Limits are important in every aspect of your life because they define where you can go and who you are.

Sagittarius Nov. 22-Dec. 21 Every good thing must come to an end, but that just gives you another opportunity to make something happen. You're a catalyst in the action, so others are looking to you to put together a plan.

Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 19 Opportunities will come in many forms today, although you might not recognize every one of them. Not to worry - the ones you're ready for will be obvious. Keep in mind that nothing is a sure thing.

Aquarius Jan. 20-Feb. 18 Confused? Don't be! Determining your next move is as simple as pie - all you have to do is sort the pros from the cons and the answer will be clear. Apply this logical approach to your romantic life.

Pisces Feb.19-Mar. 20 As you put more responsibilities on your shoulders (and more successes under your belt) the idea of taking on new projects is building to an addictive level. There's nothing wrong with pushing yourself...

THE BORN LOSER by Chip Sansom



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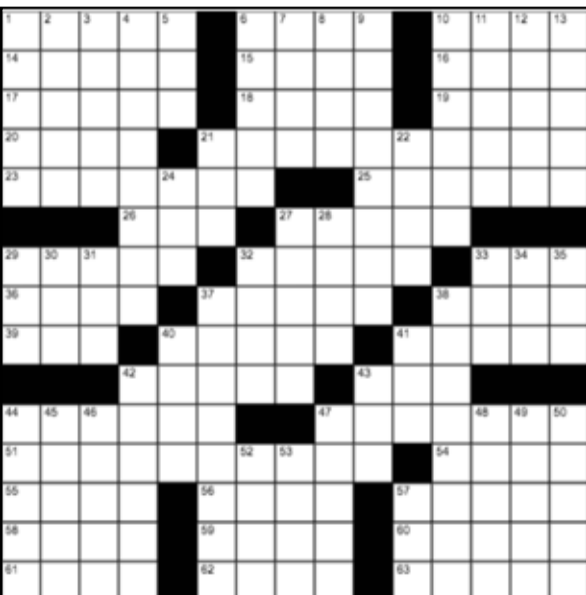
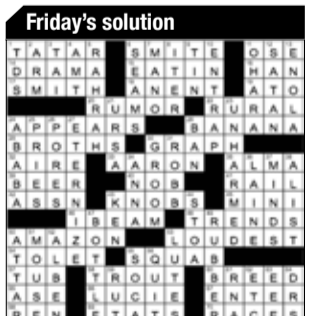
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DOWN: 1- Ventured; 2- \_\_\_ can of worms; 3- Lay to rest; 4- Proximity; 5- Joke; 6- Imitating; 7- Just \_\_\_!; 8- Mata \_\_\_; 9- Abnormally narrowed; 10- Diving fisher; 11- Great bargain; 12- Camp sights; 13- First name in cosmetics; 21- CD earnings; 22- Gaelic language of Ireland or Scotland; 24- Belief; 27- Pan-fry; 28- Affirmative votes; 29- Nor. neighbor; 30- Church perch; 31- Citrus cooler; 32- "Not guilty," e.g.; 33- Josh; 34- Bar order; 35- Proverb ending?; 37- Summer shift; 38- Like some ash; 40- Hamlet, for one; 41- "\_\_\_ don't say!"; 42- Scares off; 43- Use an abacus; 44- Lower a sail; 45- Stickum; 46- Balderdash!; 47- Related on the mother's side; 48- Bothered; 49- Heavy metric weight; 50- Finished, terminated; 52- "Give that \_\_\_ cigar!"; 53- Pack \_\_\_ (quit); 57- Harem room;



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Darren Gee has a 8.2 handicap, ranking him among the most skilled of Canadian CEO

# Top golfing CEOs mix business with birdies for above par results

Doug Alexander and Kevin Orland

**W**HAT does it take to be a top golfer when you're also a chief executive officer? Play 60 rounds a year, spend your spare time gleaning tips from books and hitting balls in your backyard. Mix business with pleasure, leveraging your game to network and exploit links between running a company and playing golf.

That's how Darren Gee landed his 8.2 handicap, ranking him among the most skilled of Canadian CEOs who disclose their golf scores. The head of Peyto Exploration and Development Corp. sees himself as "pretty decent" compared with most amateurs. He's joined by Paramount Resources Ltd.'s Jim Riddell, Sun Life Financial Inc.'s Dean Connor and Royal Bank of Canada's David McKay among corporate Canada's best with a golf club.

"Our Canadian golfing CEOs are pretty good," Laurence Applebaum, CEO of Golf Canada, said in an interview. "They're not great; they're pretty good." A Bloomberg News review of 298 of Canada's largest publicly traded companies shows that of the few CEOs who regularly hit the links, they're a pretty average lot. That may not be so bad: a U.S. academic study in 2014 showed that CEOs who golf frequently are associated with companies with lower operating performance and firm value.

About 235,600 of Canada's 5.7 million golfers track an official handicap, a measure of a player's score roughly relative to par. A handicap of eight means the golfer typically shoots eight strokes over the course rating, which is close to par depending on the course's degree of difficulty. The lower the handicap, the better the player.

Bloomberg News looked at the largest Canadian companies — including 248 members of the S&P/TSX Composite Index — and cross-referenced their CEOs with the handicap lookup from Golf Canada, the governing body for the sport in the country. Some 52 CEOs took time to record scores on the public database.

The average handicap of Canadian CEOs with posted scores is 18, the data show. That's above the average of 16.9 among all Canadian golfers with a handicap, according to Golf Canada. A few are really good.

"Anybody who's a single-digit handicap, they can really golf," Applebaum said. That includes Paramount Resources' Riddell,

who has a 7.4 handicap — an accomplishment the Calgary energy executive underplays.

"The only real noteworthy thing about golf and me, and some of my colleagues, is the Shaw Charity Classic," Riddell said in an interview, referring to Calgary's annual tournament that draws professional golfers and raised CAD22.1 million (USD17.2 million) for youth charities over five years. "That's something I'd probably be a lot more proud of than my handicap."

Ken Dedeluk, CEO of Computer Modelling Group Ltd., has an 8.1 handicap. The Calgary executive gets lots of practice: with 233 rounds logged over three years — including 25 games this year — he's one of the country's most active golfing CEOs. "I work to live, and live to golf," said Dedeluk, who plans to retire in July. "Running a company is easy when compared to mastering the game of golf."

Eight Canadian CEOs would be classified by Golf Canada as "avid" golfers — playing 25 rounds or more a year — while 20 would be called "frequent" golfers, playing nine to 24 rounds annually. Others don't get out as much.

Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd. CEO Sean Boyd, who belongs to Scarborough Golf and Country Club, has a 13.3 handicap despite infrequent play. "I really do not keep close track of my handicap as I do not get out much," Boyd said

in an email. "I get in about 10 rounds a year if I'm lucky."

Some of the best corporate golfers are in Calgary, hub of Canada's energy industry. At least eight CEOs hobnob at Alberta's oldest private course, the Calgary Golf & Country Club, including Dedeluk and Encana Corp.'s Doug Suttles, who played 23 times last year and has an 11.7 handicap.

"Calgary has that special space of the long summers, the long days and you can get lots of golf in post work, plus you've also got a large business network that tends to use golf as a business tool," Applebaum said. "It's a golf hotbed."

Peyto's Gee, a self-described "golf bug," has logged 170 games in the past three years. The Albertan who belongs to Bears paw Country Club plays one or two rounds on weekends, often with his brother but also with friends during golf season. "I spend a lot of hours in the office," Gee said in an interview. "It's sort of my escape a little bit to get out and catch up with family and friends and see how they're doing."

Golf has crept into his work life, too. On a cabinet near his desk are framed photos of him at California's Pebble Beach and Pinehurst course in North Carolina. He's had get-togethers with bankers and other CEOs to discuss deals and other business over rounds in what he calls a "corporate sport".

"It's an incredibly good game for illuminating what a person is like because you see all aspects of them in a golf round," Gee said. "You see how they behave when they're frustrated and struggling, and you see how they behave when they're happy."

He sees links between business and golf in terms of strategy and risk. As head of a natural gas firm, Gee said he's constantly assessing operational, geological and commodity risks along with "all kinds of unknowns."

"Golf is the same: do you try to shoot over the water or do you go around? Do you take a chance and hit a club that goes further, or do you lay up?," he said. "It's all that kind of risk assessment constantly going on in the game."

Sienna Senior Living Inc. CEO Lois Cormack, who belongs to the Ladies' Golf Club of Toronto and has a 30.8 handicap, is one of the few female golfers in corporate Canada on the list. She has posted 82 rounds since the start of 2015.

The best CEO golfer in Toronto's Bay Street financial district is Sun Life's Connor, who has an 11.2 handicap and belongs to Georgian Bay Club near Collingwood, Ontario, about 150 kilometers north of Toronto. "I'm an adequate golfer but there are plenty who are better," Connor said in an email. "I was a high handicapper until I took some lessons. I should probably take some more!"

Connor, who has played 58 games since the start of 2015 including five this year, said he plays about 15-plus rounds a year, including some on vacation. "It's almost all with family and friends, rarely for business," he said. "We usually walk as it's a good way to get 15,000 steps in."

Also among Bay Street's best is Royal Bank's McKay, who plays out of St. George's Golf and Country Club in Toronto and has a 12.9 handicap. "When I get the time, I golf with my kids at the weekend: both of them love the game," McKay said in an email. "On the business side, I usually play best ball or in Pro Ams, so the scores don't always get posted."

McKay scores above his predecessor, Gordon Nixon, who retired in 2014 and holds an 8.7 handicap. Nixon, who golfs in Florida in winter and at Rosedale Golf Club in Toronto and Oviinbyrd Golf Club in Muskoka in summer, has played 46 times this year.

Nixon, who has played since he was a kid, views the Canadian ranking as a "pretty weak list" compared to the "really good golfers who are CEOs" in the U.S., though that may be partly due to the sheer number of American golfing executives.

"It's surprising how there are not a lot of strong CEO golfers in Canada," Nixon said in an interview. "That's probably a good thing for business, because there aren't a lot of guys playing a lot of golf." **Bloomberg**

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CEO OF COMPUTER MODELLING  
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ON THE ROAD TO WORLD CUP

# Confetti greets Argentina's first triumph in 1978

Pan Pylas

**C**ONTROVERSY and confetti. The 1978 World Cup in Argentina was awash with both.

Twelve years after being awarded the right to host the World Cup, Argentina was a very different country. It had been under the control of a military junta since 1976, after a coup overthrew the government of Isabel Peron. Its ruthless treatment of political opponents — tens of thousands would eventually disappear — cast a shadow over the tournament.

The pressure on coach Cesar Luis Menotti and the team to exploit their home advantage

and become the third South American country after Uruguay and Brazil to win the World Cup was immense. But after nearly 50 years of trying, Argentina did just that, defeating the Netherlands 3-1 in extra time in front of a confetti-laden home crowd.

Inspired by striker Mario Kempes, who scored twice in the final to take his tournament tally to six, Argentina inflicted the second straight final defeat on the Dutch, who almost won it at the end of normal time when Robbie Rensenbrink hit the post.

The Dutch were without Johan Cruyff following his last-minute withdrawal. Cruyff later

revealed that he didn't board the plane to Argentina because of a kidnapping attempt months earlier. At the time, there was widespread speculation that his absence was an act of protest against the junta.

Forty years later, Argentina's triumph still raises eyebrows.

In that World Cup, there was a second group stage that determined which teams made it to the final, but the scheduling did not allow for the final group matches to take place at the same time. In Argentina's case, the team took the field knowing that a 4-0 victory over Peru was required after Brazil had won its last group match against Poland 3-1.

Argentina won 6-0.

Raanan Rein, an Israeli professor of Latin American history, told a FIFA-hosted conference on World Cup history in 2010 that he was "100 percent persuaded" that the junta was somehow involved, collaborating with "at least one foreign government" to fix the match.

Others argue that the Peru team just fell away after a strong start — it happens all the time — and were unnerved by the intimidating atmosphere inside the stadium in Rosario.

Regardless, it was time for the joyous people of Argentina to let the confetti fly. **AP**

# Tim Cahill set to play in fourth World Cup for Australia

**T**IM Cahill will have a chance to score a goal in his fourth consecutive World Cup for Australia.

The 38-year-old forward was chosen on Sunday by coach Bert van Marwijk among 23 players set to play in Russia for the Socceroos.

Cahill has 105 caps for Australia and is the country's leading goal scorer, but has struggled for form and match time in recent months. He is currently playing for Millwall in England.

Only three players have scored goals in four World Cups — Pele and German strikers Uwe Seeler and Miroslav Klose.

Australia's squad is evenly spread, featuring three goalkeepers, seven defenders, six midfielders, and seven attackers.

Daniel Arzani, 19, is joined by Dimitri Petratos and Josh Risdon as the only three A-League players in the squad, while Mark Milligan also made the World Cup squad for the fourth consecutive time.

The final squad was the result of a two-week training camp in Antalya, Turkey and a 4-0 international



Tim Cahill

friendly win over Czech Republic.

"I have been very pleased with the effort and application of all of the players during our time in Turkey," van Marwijk said. "Every step of the selection process has been difficult because the players have all given everything to make the final selection."

Australia is in Group C at the World Cup with France, Denmark and Peru.

The Socceroos will continue to train in Turkey for another week before travelling to Budapest for a friendly against Hungary on June 9. Australia's World Cup opener is in Kazan against France on June 16.

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PRESUMED GUILTY

First things first; we should begin with an unequivocal disclaimer of not having any suspicion, no shadow of a doubt at all, of the full independence and autonomy the Court of First Appeal exerted all through the trial proceedings and handing down of a 120-day fine to legislator Sulu Sou and activist Scott Chiang; both were found to be guilty of aggravated disobedience.

As well as a minor disclaimer about our own anticipation of an excessive sentence - anything short of an acquittal would have qualified - we are here to disagree, so as to condemn as uneven the balance of the rights of peaceful assembly with the role and actions the security apparatus deemed appropriate in the way such a small protest was framed and contained. Perhaps if it had not been for the prosecution's excessive zeal... the demonstration would have been forgotten but for the symbolism of the paper plane trespassing upon government land, the sort of leitmotiv that led people to a public protest against the executive's heavy handout to an outside university.

For the time being that is all we have about the suspended legislator Sou and fellow pro-democracy activist Chiang after two-days in court. So now we have to focus on what was happening out there in civil society not generally known for standing tall and openly voicing opinions on anything that may look political.

This time, other than being quiet as usual, before the trial there was a chorus of well-informed citizens surmising that TJB would not resort to a prison sentence, leaving the case with an obvious fine. I believe this can be reported in any language as a case of presumed guilt, or the nadir of the founding principle of presumed innocence.

Moreover, and worse, after the judgement was known the same chorus found virtue in the 120-day fine on the grounds that it was a strong signal of independence of the courts since the Prosecution was asking for a prison sentence. Is leniency and slyness, not the law, the measure of all things?!

Despite the ultimate result of the handing down of a fine to suspended legislator Sulu Sou - meaning he can resume his mandate at the Legislative Assembly - if one is to believe the Public Prosecutor is not about to appeal the sentence and pave the way to a comeback (there are three more cases allegedly pending in the pipeline) things are getting tough. Tough means nothing, but we have the benefit of researcher and commentator, Jorge Morbey's sage summary of the environment: a totalitarian temptation.

Eventually the ultimate aim of this apparent authoritarian drive is to neutralize, to scare away pro-democracy activism (the decision to prosecute the president of the New Macau Democrats Kam Sut Leng who was in court to testify for Sulu Sou seems spooky) but that coin has two faces. Disproportionate sentencing on such minor incidents of civil disobedience spur, if not energize, legal and political issues concerning the rule of law and equality before the law. And here we had nothing more than a placid resistance of a mild sort to alleged arbitrary policing.

Finally, and we do not repeat ourselves to emphasize the regulatory erosion of MSAR model of civil liberties, but to add that blaming winds from the north is as disproportionate as the non-acquittal verdict to lawmaker Sulu Sou. If we may copy the metaphor, it was a stifling wind blowing from the inside in accordance with the law that made the way to a reshaping of rule of law into rule by law. Do you really want to go down that path to argue according to law?!

THE THOUSANDS MARCH ACROSS NYC'S BROOKLYN BRIDGE IN GUN PROTEST

Thousands of demonstrators have marched across New York's Brooklyn Bridge in a protest against gun violence. A student-led group called Youth Over Guns organized Saturday's protest. The group formed after the deadly mass shooting in Parkland, Florida, in February.

The protesters marched across the bridge and then rallied in lower Manhattan. Most wore orange to show their

support for gun violence awareness.

Aalayah Eastmond, a survivor of the shooting at Parkland's Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School, addressed the crowd. Actresses Julianne Moore and Susan Sarandon also were in attendance.

The march was one of several taking place around the country to protest gun violence and urge lawmakers to pass gun restrictions.



GAMING

Caesars workers threatening strike in Las Vegas reach deal



Regina Garcia Cano, Las Vegas

A union for casino workers and one of the largest resort operators in Las Vegas reached a tentative labor agreement Friday that would cover about a quarter of the 50,000 employees threatening the first citywide strike in more than 30 years.

The new five-year deal with Caesars Entertainment covers about 12,000 bartenders, housekeepers, kitchen workers and others at nine casino-resorts on the Las Vegas Strip, the Culinary Workers Union Local 226 said. It declined to provide details because workers have not approved the contract, but generally both sides agreed to wage increases and stronger language against sexual harassment.

"We feel very good about the contract," said Geoconda Arguello-Kline, union secretary-treasurer. "We feel like the company got what they need for their business to continue, and we feel like we can still provide the American dream for the members."

It comes just after tens of thousands of bartenders, housekeepers, cocktail and food servers, porters, bellmen, cooks and other kitchen workers saw their contracts expire. The union has yet to reach new agreements with MGM Resorts International and other smaller casino-hotel operators on the Strip and in downtown Las Vegas.

The main sticking points have been wages, workplace training and job security as casino-hotels turn to technology that can displace workers, the union says. Employees want contract language that would protect them if

properties are sold and an independent workload study for housekeepers.

"Technology is being heavily introduced in the casino industry, and unfortunately, they are not [...] investing in us," said Kimberly Ireland, bell desk dispatcher at The Mirage. "MGM Resorts International has not agreed to any of our terms pertaining to job security, safety, our housekeeping study, so we are prepared to do whatever it takes to make sure that we secure our future."

Workers have voted to authorize a strike, but no date has been set

MGM said Friday that it has "made good progress in resolving the remaining issues." Caesars did not respond to a request for comment.

"We remain dedicated to negotiating a contract that demonstrates our commitment to employees and their families while our company continues creating good jobs and future opportunities in Las Vegas," MGM said in a statement.

Workers have voted to authorize a strike, but no date has been set. They have started signing up for strike pay, financial assistance and picketing shifts.

Dozens of workers gathered Friday to put together bilingual picket signs reading "Las Vegas hotel and restaurant workers, MGM Resorts, on strike." The walls of what

they christened as their strike headquarters had maps of properties operated by MGM with the entrances clearly marked.

If there is a strike, visitors could see workers picketing outside casino-hotels still in negotiations, including Aria, Bellagio and Mandalay Bay.

Companies have declined to provide details of their contingency plans, but hospitality experts say the properties will remain open, with replacement workers and managers carrying out additional tasks.

If the contract agreement sticks, a walkout would not affect Caesars' Las Vegas Strip properties: Bally's, Flamingo, Harrah's, Paris, Planet Hollywood, The Cromwell, The Linq and Caesars Palace, including Nobu. The deal also would apply to the off-Strip Rio All-Suite Hotel and Casino.

The union has said Caesars workers had asked for a wage increase of 4.2 percent effective Friday, and annual increases of about 4 percent thereafter. The union previously said the company had offered an approximate 2.8 percent increase for each of the five years.

In MGM's case, the union has asked for average annual wage increases of 4 percent for each of the next five years. It says the company has countered with an approximate 2.7 percent raise.

The average worker on the Las Vegas Strip makes about \$23 an hour, including benefits such as premium-free health care, a pension and a 401(k) retirement savings plan.

The last citywide strike was in 1984, costing the city and workers millions of dollars. AP

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High Density Residential Area	70-100 Moderate
Ambient	70-100 Moderate

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WORLD BRIEFS

**JORDAN** Several thousand Jordanians have joined the largest protest yet against the government's recent austerity measures, including price hikes and planned tax increases.



**GERMANY-ITALY** Chancellor Angela Merkel says she will approach Italy's populist new government with an open mind and try to work with it "instead of speculating about its intentions." More on p15

**SPAIN** The separatist leader of Catalonia says he will continue to push for secession after the end of a seven-month takeover by Spanish authorities following last year's failed breakaway bid. More on p15



**BRITAIN** Prime Minister Theresa May joined survivors, victims' families and emergency workers at a memorial service yesterday to mark a year since a deadly vehicle-and-knife attack brought terror to London Bridge on a warm Saturday night.



**CUBA** President Miguel Diaz-Canel convened a special session of Cuba's parliament on the weekend to propose a list of people to undertake a rewrite of the Soviet-era charter.

**NICARAGUA** A U.S. citizen was found shot to death in the capital Saturday as violence and social unrest continue to grip Nicaragua.