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PHILIPPINES A Philippine city mayor known for parading drug suspects in public but also alleged to have drug ties himself was shot and killed by a sniper yesterday in a brazen attack during a flag-raising ceremony in front of hundreds of horrified employees and village leaders.

INDONESIA's police and military are responsible for at least 95 unlawful killings in the easternmost Papua region since 2010, including targeted slayings of activists, Amnesty International said yesterday, condemning a near-total absence of justice for the mainly indigenous victims. *More on p12*

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CRIME

Man arrested on pimping charges

Renato Marques

A man from the mainland is being charged over pimping in Macau, a Public Security Police Force (PSP) spokesperson announced yesterday during a press conference.

The case began on June 28 when the police received a tipoff that a man was facilitating the provision of sex workers in a hotel located at Avenida da Amizade.

Police officers investigated the location and, with the assistance of hotel staff, they found a man and three women all aged around 20 years old in a hotel room.

To the police, the man said he had been hired by a person in the mainland to provide transportation services to the women. He also said he received RMB2,100 for these services. However, he denied that he was in charge of the prostitution scheme or had any involvement besides the transportation.

The women all admitted to coming to Macau for the purpose of engaging in prostitution.

The police said they believe they have gathered sufficient proof of the man's involvement to prove that he acted as a pimp. Unlike prostitution, pimping is punishable by Macau's legal framework.

He was delivered to the Public Prosecutions Office on June 29 under the charge of prostitution exploitation.

In a separate case, the police force also reported the discovery of an illegal hostel in an apartment building located on Rua de Cantão in Macau. A tipoff was also the reason the



investigation took place, and it led the police to the apartment where they found a total of six people. Among them was the only suspect in the case, a woman around 50 years old from the mainland who was the alleged landlord of the five tenants (two men and three women) with ages ranging between 33 and 60 years old.

To the police, the tenants said they paid MOP100 to MOP200 per day to lodge in the apartment. One of the male tenants added he had already paid the suspect MOP1,200. All the tenants were tourists from the mainland.

As is standard for this kind of situation, the PSP contacted the Macau Government Tourism

Office who were immediately dispatched to the scene. After they conducted an inspection

and listened to the testimony of the witnesses, the MGTO sealed the apartment and classified it

as an illegal hostel, and began proceedings to seek liability from the property owner.

In a separate case, a local resident was reported to have lost RMB53,000 in a phone scam, the Judiciary Police (PJ) spokesperson said in the joint press conference held yesterday afternoon.

According to the report, the woman, who is over 60 years old, received a phone call from a local phone number on June 25 from someone claiming to be a family member.

After this first contact, as has become a common practice, this person claimed they were involved in a serious matter in the mainland and were detained by the police. They then asked for money to assist in freeing them. The woman believed the story and headed to the mainland to transfer RMB9,000 to the man she thought to be a family member in trouble, but after that he continued asking for more money that led her to transfer a total of RMB53,000 across four separate transfers.

After that she never heard from the person anymore and upon realizing that she had been scammed, she reported the case to the PJ.

Over 100 detained in case of usury

ONE hundred and thirteen people were arrested last week on usury charges, marking Macau's largest single case of usury in terms of arrests, the Judiciary Police (PJ) reported.

The 113 people comprise of 83 men and 30 women. One of the women, the mastermind of the group, is a Hong Kong resident, and another is a Macau local resident. The majority of the arrested were mainland residents.

In order to tackle the activities of this criminal group, the PJ spent more than one year searching for evidence, having only launched an operation recently.

In total, it took police more than 10 hours to arrest all suspects, who were dispersed across 21 residences in the city.

Besides the suspects, the PJ seized a large number of computers, accounting books, loans records, jewelry and watches.

More than MOP100,000 in chips and HKD2 million in a case, among gold objects, were also found.

According to the PJ, the group was involved in a usury case related to at least HKD70 million.

The PJ revealed that the group had been operational since 2011 and was highly organized, with anti-investigation capabilities.

Allan Zeman sees a bright non-gaming future for Wynn Macau

THE "father of Lan Kwai Fong," now non-executive chairman of Wynn Macau, Allan Zeman has always brought creativity and flair to his business ventures. In this month's issue of Macau Inc., Zeman explains how he sees the future of the gaming concessionaire: It is all about building new

non-gaming attractions for the rapidly changing visitor market from China.

Zeman is excited about the plans his group has for the second phase of development at Wynn Palace - though he is not ready to unveil their details just yet. Moreover, he points to the development of Lan

Kwai Fong as having parallels - especially in how the visitor audience has changed over the years. He sees great potential in Macau.

As for the recent controversy surrounding the departure of Steve Wynn and the subsequent investment by Galaxy Entertainment Group, Zeman

sees it all as "healthy development," and that the company's strong management team is focused on continuing to build the business. He says no collaboration is envisaged as yet with Galaxy - though he says it should not be ruled out in the future, as the two groups have established "friendly relations".



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CCAC finds pattern of careless immigration vetting

THE Commission Against Corruption (CCAC) has released an investigation report into investment immigration and technical immigration requirements, as managed by the Macau Trade and Investment Promotion Institute (IPIM). The report noted that the process has lacked stringent vetting for years.

Technical immigration and residency by investment are processes whereby individuals are permitted to acquire residency in exchange for bringing economic opportunities to a country or territory.

In accordance with administrative regulation no. 3/2005, "Temporary Residency Regime for Investors, Management Personnel and Specialized Technicians", non-locals may apply for temporary residency by "major investment" or through being employed locally in positions of management or as specialized technicians.

According to the information on the IPIM's website, between 2008 and 2017, the Institute received a total of 574 applications for investment immigration, 186 of which were approved after assessment, with 410 people granted temporary residency. During the same period, IPIM received a total of 5,039 applications for technical immigration. Of this figure, 3,296 applications were approved and a total of 5,376 people were granted temporary residency.

The CCAC said that there was a general lack of stringent vetting and approval criteria when processing technical immigration. This meant that the investment amounts which justified the technical immigration were either too small, or concerned "immovable pro-

perty investment". In other cases, successful applicants did not reside in Macau or only obtained the temporary residency through fictitious employment.

■ The report says no thorough background checks were conducted to ensure the validity and authenticity of applicants

However, in the same report, the CCAC also notes that IPIM has made considerable progress in improving the vetting

and approval procedures for investment immigration. One example of how this was achieved is through introducing the points scheme and increasing the minimum investment amount.

Although administrative regulation no. 3/2005 does not have definite provisions for the minimum investment amount for investment immigration, prior to 2015, the reference minimum investment amount was formerly MOP1.5 million. According to the data provided by IPIM, in the 186 initial applications for temporary residency approved between 2008 and 2017, the investment amounts declared in 28 of the applications – 15 percent of the total – were less than MOP1.5 million.

The CCAC recognizes that the social and economic benefits brought by an investment cannot be evaluated merely by the investment amount. However, before IPIM raised the refer-

ence minimum investment amount to MOP13 million in November 2015, the investment amounts in the approved applications of investment immigration were generally relatively low, the corruption watchdog argued.

The CCAC also found that IPIM were not conducting thorough background checks to ensure the validity and authenticity of applicants.

According to the requirements of IPIM, applicants for investment immigration should provide business registration, business licenses, financial statements and tax payment confirmation of their companies as well as proof of the investment amount and business revenues. But the CCAC notes in the report that "IPIM usually [only] conducts formality checking on these documents submitted by the applicants. It does not verify the authenticity of the documents and the truthfulness of the fac-



ts in a serious manner. They do not send staff off to the claimed operating locations of the companies to verify their operations either."

The anti-graft body initiated the investigation after receiving numerous complaints pertaining to the way IPIM was managing technical immigration. The Commissioner Against Corruption ordered an inquiry into the vetting and approval procedures carried out by the bureau.

IPIM requested to submit report on improving procedures



Lionel Leong pictured yesterday during a visit to the DSAL

THE Secretary for Economy and Finance Lionel Leong announced that the Macau Trade and Investment Promotion Institute (IPIM) is slated to present a report this month on how to improve its procedures in approving residency applications.

Speaking on the sidelines of Leong's visit to the Labour Affairs Bureau yesterday, the official told the press that IPIM had resolved some of the issues the CCAC investigated back in 2015.

The official said that residency permit applications for major investment residency, and managerial personnel, and technical and professional residency would not be suspended, yet noted that there is a significant scope for improvement.

"From 2015, the government told IPIM to improve their services," said Leong.

"We can't be afraid of the [residency permit application], if there's room to improve, especially for skilled workers. We know their importance and we have to improve," he added.

According to Leong, skilled laborers in Macau are needed particularly for the bet-

terment of the city's integration in the Greater Bay Area. Thus he noted that the region needs measures to attract this talent.

Regarding the major investment residency, IPIM noted that it has applied changes to its schemes including to the minimum threshold for the application.

IPIM said that they would study and analyze the content of the CCAC's report in a bid to implement concrete measures to improve the authorization procedure for applications of temporary residence permit.

It has also recalled that it has submitted suggestions to the Public Security Police Force with a purpose of introducing changes to the regime.

The bureau pledged that it would monitor the views and will publish the requirements for analysis and approval on its website for more transparency. **LV**

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HK photographer wins People's Choice award

Photographer David Tsui has been shortlisted for the People's Choice award in the National Geographic Travel Photographer of the Year competition. The Hong Kong-based photographer was awarded the position on the shortlist for a photo titled "The Invasion," which captures the contrast between a quiet street in Macau and a modern hotel. This year's competition received about 13,000 entries covering themes of nature, cities and people. The People's Choice award is determined by votes from the public. The other awards are decided by a panel of judges.

New Taiwan rules aid Chinese who want driving licenses

A host of new transportation regulations took effect yesterday in Taiwan, including one designed to make it easier for people from China, Hong Kong and Macau to obtain a driver's license in the island state. According to Taiwan News, the amount of time needed for Chinese residents to stay in Taiwan before applying for a driver's license has been reduced from one year to six months. They may also have their original driver's license exchanged for a Taiwanese equivalent, once they have stayed on the island for at least six months. Among the other new regulations is a requirement for public parking lots to reserve approximately 2 percent of their spaces for pregnant women and families with children aged 6 or under, as well as heavier penalties on vehicles parked near bus stations.

Group accused of unapproved secret street filming

The Sports Bureau (ID) has accused a filming group of carrying out street filming without government approval. Last week, a filming crew broke into a car repair station on the ground floor of the Macau Grand Prix Building, opened the lock on the pits, and secretly used the car repair station and its power facilities. The filming crew did not leave the scene until they were compelled to by staff. The ID reported the case to the police and also sent a letter to the filming company. Previously, it had declined the filming crew's application to use the Grand Prix building.

LAWYER

European privacy regulations may serve as benchmark for Macau

Renato Marques

NEW European laws on data protection and privacy and its implications on local companies and businesses were debated during a France Macau Chamber of Commerce (FMCC) breakfast meeting at Sofitel Macau last week.

José Felipe Salreta, a lawyer at Rato, Ling, Lei & Cortés Advogados e Notários, told the Times that when in doubt a "golden rule" is "to comply with the rules now enforced by the European Union [EU]."

One reason for this is that the laws may apply both directly and indirectly to businesses and companies that are not based in the EU. Salreta added that the Macau Personal Data Protection Act (PDPA) has "its roots [or inspiration at least] in the Portuguese [and consequently European] regulations." Although local laws are currently not as strictly enforced compared to the EU, "it is likely that in the [near] future this [will] tend to happen," Salreta said, hinting that as soon as local companies, "at least the ones of large size and with clients [potential clients or suppliers] in European markets," comply with the provisions of such regulations, the more protected they will be and will less likely experience problems in the future.

When questioned about which types of businesses and/or companies are more likely to be directly affected by the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) which has been enforced in the EU since May 25, Salreta said that sectors such as tourism, banking, finance and insurance are the ones where the GDPR "may offer more challenges."

During last week's meeting, Salreta said that one of the major changes now introduced is that the fines (for cases of non-compliance) are revenue-based.

Another considerable change in the new rules is that companies must obtain consent from people to collect and use their data, explaining clearly for what purpose and to what extent the data will be used.

"Just a simple statement saying something like 'If you enter this website you consent with the rules' is not enough anymore," the legal expert explained. "Companies must tick all the boxes [explaining all the uses and why], inactivity or non-protest is not enough, and the same applies to requests for data deletion or access to

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José Felipe Salreta

data collected and stored," he noted. "Privacy notices need to be clearer, specific and demand clear action from people to prove their intention of granting access [...]. For most organizations this means a need to review all the forms [and policies regarding data collection]."

In his personal opinion, Salreta noted that the law changes and the consequent need to change internal policies within businesses and organizations "will possibly contribute [positively] to the collection of less data," leading "data collectors" to "narrow down to the essential [data]."

Data breaches were also a topic addressed, either due to internal failures, mistakes or by unlawful third-party activity. "In these situations, the GDPR sets a time limit of 72 hours in which organizations must submit a report to the supervising authorities," a warning that is also mandatorily extended to subjects that may also possibly be involved with the data breach. In which case, the law only mentions that this warning should be made "without undue delay."

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JOSÉ FELIPE SALRETA

On the application of the GDPR outside the EU space, according to Salreta, "it is applicable to all companies 'offering goods or services to the EU,' a situation that may cause many doubts and questions.

As he explained in more detail, in order to see if a certain company or a website is likely to be under these rules we must ascertain its "intentions."

"A website that is simply accessible by a global audience itself would not indicate the intention of offering goods and services to EU citizens, and on its own would not necessarily subject an organization or company to GDPR provisions," he explained. However, other conditions do exist and they can

be used to ascertain such intentions, such as, "the language or currency generally used in one or more member states, with the possibility of ordering goods or services, or the mentioning of costumers who are in the union make it apparent that the controller [has the intention] of offering goods or services to such subjects," he said. He added that this can also be done by providing options to interact with the website in the native language and currency [namely the Euro], advertising to costumers or users in members states and make use of international phone lines or website addresses that include the identifiable acronyms or extensions of EU countries (.eu, .de, .es, etc).

Data Protection regulations 'fall short'

WHEN addressing the Macau regulations on data protection currently enforced, José Felipe Salreta said, "the basic principles that brought the GDPR to life are also present in the Macau Personal Data Protection Act (PDPA), however since it has already [been enforced for] 15 years and to that we must add [another] 10 years since the directive from which it was inspired [was enforced], the PDPA still falls short regarding the new GDPR protections," he said. "Largely it was born in the aftermath of the Chief Executive granting of gaming concessions for operating casinos and it's inspired or at least largely transposes the data protection directive [of the European Union] of 1995 [through the Portuguese law]."

Still, as the legal expert mentioned, "it has the closest approach to EU data protection of any other country in Asia and it was also the first jurisdiction in Asia to adopt an EU style data protection law [in all its sections]."

Salreta also noted that legal provisions such as "consent" are "not existent" in the current local regulations, which also enforce "light penalties in terms of fines."

One of the biggest challenges that Macau faces is the transference of data outside the region. These cases need to be addressed by the GPDP on a case-by-case basis. Local organizations are often forced to have their data processed by third-party companies and/or controllers that are located in other regions and countries, due to a lack of options and a market size that does not favor the installation of such service providers locally.



MGM works hand in hand with SMEs to develop local E-commerce

MGM has been appreciated by local SMEs for the company's continuous efforts to collaborate with local SMEs to develop E-commerce in Macau.

Office Commodities Fast, Limited (New Fast), a Macau company established in 2004, has expressed its appreciation to the gaming operator MGM for the latter having contributed to the New Fast's growing in E-commerce during the past few years.

The story traces back to the year of 2016, when MGM wanted to develop an online purchasing portal, especially containing small items, such as ironmongery and stationery.

“A meaningful project that helps an SME develop and seize the opportunity of e-commerce for survival.”

SIMON LEONG
DIRECTOR OF PURCHASING OF MGM

Considering that this kind of items is inexpensive and diverse, and since nearly every department of MGM has to order it, the resort operator looked forward to simplifying the purchase process of these items and hoped to pay SMEs to develop an online purchasing portal for the company.

In the beginning of its path towards the searching of the online purchasing portal, MGM approached a few local SMEs. However, the answers from the SMEs went against MGM's expectations.

“We found a few SMEs, but they [did not want to develop such online portal] because they thought that such online portal would be rather difficult [to develop]. Some of Macau's stationery suppliers were not optimistic about the industry's

future amid development in Macau's neighboring regions. A few suppliers told us that many companies were already purchasing stationery items through Taobao”, said Simon Leong, Director of Purchasing of MGM.

Only later, MGM reached New Fast which expressed its interest in building a stationary online purchasing system.

“At first, we want to pay for a system for the use of the company. It was them [New Fast] who proposed to build the system themselves to have the ownership so that they can use it for their other clients. At that moment, we realized that the scope of the project has gone beyond the enhancement of supply chain efficiency, it has already evolved into a meaningful project that helps an SME develop and seize the opportunity of e-commerce for survival.” said Simon.

Both MGM and New Fast wanted to create a new supply chain model. For the past two years, the Purchasing Department of MGM met with New Fast monthly to help them build the system from scratch. The Finance, IT and Warehouse Department of MGM also involved in building the system and trial runs in order to reengineer the whole process flow for a truly useful system for end users.

The online purchasing portal allows fast delivery without big resort operators having to count the stationeries.

According to Tony Lou, General Manager of Office Commodities Fast, Limited, New Fast had to spend one and a half hour in the past to deliver an order to big gaming operators. Now, it takes the company only ten minutes to complete the delivery procedures.

As result, New Fast grew 40 percent in revenue in 2018 compared to 2017, and ten percent in terms of new clients after the launch of this online purchasing system.

Besides MGM's increasing orders, MGM's faith in New Fast's Online Purchasing System gave the New Fast team a heavy support.

“For more than ten years, MGM has been helping us. We are interested in doing this

thing [E-Commerce], and MGM give us a shot in the arm,” said Tony.

When talking about New Fast's future, Tony said, “Currently, the portal is only for stationery/office supplies shopping. I hope to extend it to other supplies, for example paper towel, or other pantry supplies...etc.,” said Tony. Further talking about Macau's local E-commerce future, Tony hopes that online purchasing platforms can push forward Macau's economy, and shorten waiting times.

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GENERAL MANAGER OF OFFICE
COMMODITIES FAST, LIMITED

“If Macau fails to develop [E-Commerce], others will take the opportunity to develop it,” declared Tony.

Jimmy Fung, Consultant of Office Commodities Fast, Limited, added that New Fast Online Purchasing System was not planned specifically for MGM. However, the good results following the system's launching were definitely because of MGM.

“The conversation between MGM and New Fast made [dreams] come true,” said Jimmy, adding “because MGM supported us, gave us feedback and worked with us all along. Besides MGM, other big clients of New Fast such as a bank and a retail chain have also been using the system. In response, Simon also noted that MGM will continue simplifying its order receiving procedures, and will consider how to recommend New Fast Online Purchase System as well as E-commerce to other local SME vendors, thus hoping to encourage SMEs to use online procurement service as part of the company's effort to transform Macau into a smart city.”





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Non-Chinese judges banned from ruling on cases of national security

Julie Zhu

THE amendment aiming to prevent foreign judges from ruling on matters of national security was passed at the Legislative Assembly (AL) yesterday.

Even though the legislation passed, it received criticism from several lawmakers, including Ng Kuok Cheong, Pereira Coutinho, and Au Kam San.

The lawmakers queried whether there had ever been non-Chinese judges or prosecutors who created issues in a legal case involving national security.

“Regarding the articles related to national security, this occurred suddenly. From the information available, I cannot see any specific instruction from the Central Government [requesting to ban non-Chinese judges from national security cases]. If there are instructions from the Central Government, what are they? If it is not the Central government, [...] why does Macau need this special arrangement? Why has the SAR government suddenly lost confidence in these non-Chinese judges?” Ng asked.

“From the information available, I cannot see any legal cases that could have possibly led the SAR government to harbor suspicion because of the nationality of prosecutors and judges. Why don't we trust these non-Chinese prosecutors and judges? It is an important question,” Ng continued.

Pereira Coutinho said that “through the Basic Law, I can-



not see any article allowing discrimination towards non-Chinese judges. I do not rule out another special court in the future.”

Sonia Chan, in reply to the lawmakers' questions, said that “national security cases are related to core benefits, territorial integrity and national unity. Protecting the state's fundamental interest is the constitutional responsibility of the SAR government, and this responsibility is the basis for deciding that it is necessary to have judges from our own country [Chinese judges] in order to hear cases involving national security.” Chan further noted that Macau is not

the only place with such a policy.

“Every other country in the world is using their citizens [as judges]. Macau and Hong Kong happen to be two extremely special places in the world. When Macau was handed over [to China], the Basic Law created a rather relaxed regulation: that the SAR government could hire foreign judges because there was a shortage of judges back then,” Chan continued.

Chan claimed that the SAR government does not doubt the ability and work ethic of non-Chinese judges. “I have said in the past that [the SAR government] fully trusts the ability and professional con-

duct of non-Chinese judges. No problem has ever occurred [regarding non-Chinese judges involved in national security cases],” she declared. According to Chan, national security cases are indeed sensitive, and China is stepping closer to the core of the international stage.

“National security matters cannot be compared to those of 20 years ago. I believe the amendment does not violate the Basic Law,” stated Chan.

Lawmaker Au Kam San responded to Chan by saying “you say that they [non-Chinese judges] have work ethic and are professional, but you exclude them, and that is discrimination.”

“Non-Chinese judges are not all hired from the outside. There are also non-Chinese judges among Macau local permanent residents,” Au added.

Even though lawmakers criticized the latest amendment, lawmaker Ho Ion Sang and Iau Teng Pio supported the exclusion of non-Chinese judges from national security cases.

Why has the SAR government suddenly lost confidence in these non-Chinese judges?

NG KUOK CHEONG

“The one country and the two Systems principle is unequal. When there is a conflict between them, the two systems must obey the one country. If there are non-Chinese judges participating [in these cases], they undermine the state's dignity,” said Ho Ion Sang.

Chan Wa Keong commented that “the first crime related to national security is the crime of treason. If a judge does not have a sense of national identity, how can a judge hear such a case? If a judge does not even regard oneself as a person from this country, how can they hear such a case?”

Pereira Coutinho's illegal parking fine debate rejected

A debate proposed by lawmaker Pereira Coutinho was rejected by the Legislative Assembly (AL) yesterday.

The government has proposed a review of the region's Road Traffic Law to increase fines for road traffic offenses, such as illegal parking, driving under the influence, and speeding.

Pereira Coutinho proposed the AL debate on “whether the severe shortage of parking spots can be solved simply by increasing fines for illegal parking.”

Many lawmakers agreed that the government should consider improving the city's transportation, in particular by increasing the number of available parking spots.

Agnes Lam expressed her opposition towards the debate proposal by noting her belief that all lawmakers would agree that simply increasing fines will not help Macau's transportation situation.

“The government has explained that it will increase the number of parking spots. I believe that the debate

topic is more suitable for an oral inquiry,” said Lam.

Ng Kuok Cheong commented that more pressure should be applied on the government for it to improve the city's transportation.

“I cannot define the text of the debate. The topic is unclear, and it involves too many things,” said Chan Ka Keong.

After the proposal was rejected, Wong Kit Cheng said “simply increasing fines won't solve any problem. [...] The debate is unnecessary.” **JZ**

EDUCATION

Scholars work on Pierre Bourdieu published in Australia

THE book ‘Bourdieu: A Critical Introduction’, authored by Tony Schirato and Mary Roberts from the University of Macau (UM) Department of Communication, has been published by the academic imprint of Allen & Unwin. The book provides a critical introduction to, and account of, the work of the French sociologist Pierre Bourdieu.

Bourdieu's work has been hugely influential

in disciplines across the social sciences and humanities for decades, yet Schirato and Roberts argue that few scholars are using Bourdieu's work to its full potential. According to a statement issued by UM, the scholars' work offers “a systematic account of Bourdieu's full body of work, from his early research in Algeria to his last lectures in Paris.”

“The book provides an account of Bourdieu's major sociological works

and the developments that his scholarly career undergoes, starting from his ethnographic writing in Algeria, then across his highly influential educational work, his ‘cultural turn’ where he analyses the logics, values and imperatives that inform the fields of art and literature, and finally through to his more politically-oriented and polemical work directed against global capitalism,” the UM statement reads.

IACM: Canidrome must submit relocation plan

The Civic and Municipal Affairs Bureau (IACM) has asked the Macau Canidrome to submit a plan to relocate the greyhounds who have not been adopted by July 10. In a statement issued yesterday, the IACM notes that the MSAR government has notified the company that the Canidrome facilities should be empty until July 21. Meanwhile, IACM says that a plan to relocate the greyhounds should be submitted. The bureau also says that, as an entity that oversees the enforcement of the Animal Protection Law, it will fine all those who abandon the animals.

Local hacker involved in alleged attempt at insider trading

A local computer hacker is thought to have invested USD9 million in an alleged instance of insider trading, the South China Morning Post reported. The local resident, Hong Iat, is reported to have around USD541,000 in assets. Hong Iat is wanted in the U.S. for allegedly hacking sensitive information from two New York law firms in 2014 and 2015, in addition to insider trading. He was among the three people the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission accused after the group allegedly obtained more than 60 gigabytes of data that contained confidential information of some listed companies. The U.S. has previously requested that Hong Kong hand over the fugitive, but the HKSAR's government refused the request after 10 months of negotiations. The 28-year-old's whereabouts remain unknown.

Sou has not yet resumed lawmaker post

Julie Zhu

LAWMAKER Sulu Sou has not yet resumed his position at the Legislative Assembly (AL) despite expectations that he would resume his post yesterday.

However, as has been his habit for the past months, the suspended lawmaker was in the seats reserved for the audience. Sou revealed the reason for his absence from the AL meeting to the media, stating that even though the Court of First Instance (TJB) has confirmed the withdrawal of his appeal, the AL has not yet received the confirmation from the court regarding the ruling. Because of this, Sou could not resume his duty as a lawmaker.

Sou stated that he has completed all procedures required by the court, including paying the fine set out in the TJB ruling.

Yesterday, before the AL plenary meeting began, Sou submitted the necessary documents to AL. However, he



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commented that he can only wait until the relevant procedures are completed before he is able to return to the AL.

During Sou's trial, he disclosed that he was still involved in four other legal cases.

In response to the question of whether he is worried about being charged for aggravated disobedience, Sou commented that "uncertainty exists in many things" and that he cannot be worried about the currently ongoing cases.

"I can only get my things done and regard these [legal cases] as a test of willpower," declared Sou.

Lawmaker Pereira Coutinho, while questioning the Secretary for Administration and Justice Sonia Chan, during the AL meeting, asked if the government would consider expediting the administrative processes to notify the parties involved of a court verdict.

"Why is this colleague [Sou] not participating in today's meeting? It's a consequence of bureaucracy. He already paid his fine, but he has not yet received proof [of fine settlement]. If the Prosecution Office does not [send the document] to the relevant department, he cannot return to AL," said Coutinho.

"The lawmaker was suspended exactly because of bureaucracy. What do you [Chan] think? Can the government use email or internet to make such notification?" he pressed.

Chan later said that "regarding the case of the lawmaker, I believe that the court has been carrying out its work according to the law."

HO: 'I HOPE NOBODY IS MISSING'

HO IAT Seng, chairman of AL, said that if he had received the final judgments from the court before yesterday's AL started, Sulu Sou could have attended yesterday's AL plenary meet-

ing. "As the AL chairman, I hope nobody is missing. It's not about welcome [Sulu Sou] or not," said Ho, who also noted that he has "no opinion" regarding Sulu Sou's other cases.

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SoftBank invests in 'handy Japan' hotel technology service

JAPANESE technology conglomerate SoftBank is investing in a mobile device service for hotel guests, called handy Japan, offering tourist spot information and internet access. Terms of the deal, announced yesterday, were not disclosed.

Handy, developed by Hong Kong-based Tink Labs, is available in 650,000 rooms in 4,000 hotels in 82 countries. It rolled out in Japan last July and has been adopted by 1,700 hotels and 240,000 rooms, about a third of the nation's hotels, both sides said.

Handy works as a complimentary smartphone rental service. The device can access a hotel concierge, connect to the internet and make local and international calls. It also provides multilingual city guides.

"With SoftBank's support, the goal is to go beyond that. It's more than just hotels," Terence Kwok, founder and CEO of Tink Labs told reporters at a Tokyo hotel.

SoftBank's investment will go toward developing "Internet of Things" or IoT services for handy devices, including keyless room entry, automated checkout and smart in-room controls. AP

TRANSPORT

Air France-KLM feels the heat in Paris

COMPETITION just got even tougher for Air France-KLM as yet another low-cost operator offers cheap transatlantic flights from Paris, while the Franco-Dutch carrier struggles with a top management void and labor strife.

British Airways parent IAG SA started discount links between the French capital and Montreal yesterday through its low-cost arm Level, taking direct aim at Air France-KLM on the busy route.

With additional flights planned from September to New-York for as low as 129 euros (USD150) one way, Level is competing with Norwegian Air Shuttle ASA, XL Airways, WOW Air and Primera Air Scandinavia A/S in offering budget fares out of Paris. Discount airlines made up a third of French traffic last year, a trend that's set to continue at a time when Air France-KLM is in disarray.

The Paris-based carrier is operating without a permanent chief executive officer following the resignation in May of Jean-Marc Janaillac after his bid to end a series of crippling strikes was rejected by a majority of French employees. A long-anticipated update of the company's mid-term



strategic plan is also on hold, leaving question marks about further development of low-cost offerings. The board last week was forced to drop a leading CEO candidate due to his lack of experience in transport.

As the busiest travel season gets underway, the battle between discount airlines is heating up over the Atlantic: Norwegian has 46 routes between the U.S. and Europe and plans to start a dozen more. Primera Air started flying between Paris and New York in May, and has since added Boston and Toronto. Air France-KLM offers "light economy" fare that allows passengers to book non-modifiable tickets that do not include checked luggage.

"Long-haul, low-cost service is mostly done by young airlines, with lower operation costs than so-called legacy companies," Air France Chief

Executive Officer Franck Turner said at an event in Paris last month.

Air France started a lower-cost service last year called Joon, which employs cabin crew on different work contracts. The company also operates medium-haul discount flights through its Transavia brand. Growth of this unit is already curtailed by pilot unions and any effort to expand could exacerbate tension within the workforce.

"Air France has a fantastic brand and a great network, but everybody has to change," IAG Chief Executive Officer Willie Walsh said at an event at Orly airport to launch the Level flight. "There was some restructuring at Air France, but not enough."

Level will be "growing the fleet next year," along with new destinations from Paris and Barcelona in 2019, he said. **Bloomberg**

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CHINA'S FOREIGN INVESTMENT DOOR OPENS, ONLY JUST

David Fickling, Bloomberg

When is a loosening of foreign investment rules not really a loosening of foreign investment rules? When China's doing it in the face of a brewing trade war.

The country's latest so-called "negative list" issued last week, which comprises a group of industries where foreign businesses are either prohibited from investing or restricted to joint ventures with a degree of Chinese control, boasts an eye-catching headline number: The number of sectors is down to 48, from 63 last year and 120 back in 2011.

In theory, that means large swathes of the Chinese economy that were once closed off to overseas competition are finally opening up. In practice – as we argued when President Xi Jinping first promised the changes back in April – the difference is mostly cosmetic.

The core list of industries where offshore investment is altogether prohibited is more or less unchanged from last year. The most striking alteration is likely to provoke guffaws in foreign capitals: International arms manufacturers now appear to be allowed to set up shop, should Raytheon Co. or BAE Systems Plc be looking to test how robust their protections against Chinese industrial espionage are these days.

That change is typical of one of the major ways the negative list numbers have been gamed in recent years: By removing industries from the list whenever foreign investment is vanishingly unlikely, Beijing has been able to proclaim a more open market while in practice making little tangible difference.

Some of the key eliminations from the forbidden list in recent years have been in sectors such as ivory-carving, tiger bone-processing, gambling and the sex industry. I'm no lawyer, but if you're looking for Beijing's permission to set up a casino-brothel with a sideline in endangered-species trade, my guess is that it's not just the negative list standing in your way.

Another trick has been to permit investment in sectors where local players are so dominant that only the foolhardy would dream of trying to compete.

Fancy taking on China Petroleum & Chemical Corp. and PetroChina Co. in the fuel-retail market; or State Grid Corp. of China and China Southern Power Grid Co. in the electrical-grid business; or China Rail Construction Corp. to build new railways?

Last year you needed a local majority shareholder, but now you can knock yourself out – the market is wide open, according to the latest list. Anyone who wants to take on state-owned oligopolies in operating rail services, trading most farm products or building ships is also welcome to try their luck – but the core rule of antitrust has always been that when the market share of the incumbent players is that high, it's all but impossible for new ones to break in.

The most dramatic changes are those to financial-services companies and automakers, which will have foreign-ownership caps abolished eventually. But those changes have been promised long before now, and won't take effect until 2021 and 2022, respectively. Ownership caps on aircraft manufacturing firms are out, too – but Airbus SE and Boeing Co. have already established final assembly plants in China under joint-venture agreements, and aerospace companies tend to keep their main facilities close to home for political reasons.

That's not to downplay the real changes that are taking place behind the scenes.

China is working to improve its lax enforcement of intellectual-property protections and to codify its array of ambiguous and inconsistently enforced rules, though progress has been so grindingly slow that it's little surprise some in Washington have dismissed the whole thing as a con-job. The changes in auto manufacturing, finance and aerospace are real, although it remains to be seen how they will play out in practice.

At least China is moving in the right direction. It remains one of the most restrictive countries in the world for foreign investment, according to an OECD-compiled index, but it's improved dramatically in recent years while the U.S. has slipped behind the organization's average.

For all that China's negative list is gamed, it does give foreign investors a clear indicator of which industries are most protected. That's a contrast the vague "national security" or "national interest" grounds that have allowed other nations to protect lightbulb manufacturers, cattle ranches and yogurt makers from takeovers, not to mention President Donald Trump's on-again-off-again pledges to further crack down on foreign investment by China.

Still, at this point the fan-dance over the negative list is becoming increasingly pointless. Maybe next revision we'll see the long-protected market for traditional rice paper and ink-blocks opened up, just as the ones for lacquerware and cloisonne enamel have been set free in recent years.

Until current trade tensions ebb, though, we're unlikely to see this particular door open more than a crack further.

PROPERTY

Top villa developer asks staff to speed up cash inflow

CHINA'S top high-end developer Greentown China Holdings asked its staff to accelerate cash inflows "on all fronts" and speed up sales, according to memos seen by Bloomberg, amid escalating regulatory scrutiny of the sector.

The Hangzhou-based builder urged faster sales, redoubled efforts to collect accounts receivable and called for strict control over payments, according to the memos. Moves to speed up sales include shifting those originally scheduled in 2019 to this year, provided the projects are unhindered by pre-sales pricing restrictions.

Chinese developers have become more reliant than ever on their own project sales for funds after regulators moved to further restrict financing to the sector and escalated a campaign to cool property prices. That has left developers exposed to market swings and the whims of local officials, who can cap apartment prices when issuing pre-sales licences for new residential projects. Country Garden Holdings Co., China's biggest developer, in April urged employees to quicken home sales while threatening fines or dismissals for those too slow in getting their projects to market.

Greentown will press ahead with its strategy to "sell early, sell more and sell fast," the firm said in the memos. "Business will center around operational



cash inflow from sales."

Management of operational cash flow is a "normal move" that's reiterated every six months, the company's media representative said in an emailed reply. The company's cash level is no less than 50 billion yuan (USD7.5 billion) on average, at a "sufficient and safe" level, according to the email. Its credit position is ample for normal operational needs and can support growth, the company said.

The moves don't signal the developer is in financial trouble. Greentown's net-debt-to-equity, a gauge of leverage, was at 59 percent at the end of last year, below the 61

percent average of largest players, according to Bloomberg Intelligence. Yet, accelerating turnover is crucial for the firm, which saw an operating cash outflow of 11.3 billion yuan last year, the biggest since its 2006 listing, according to filings.

Developer stocks extended a selloff yesterday in China, after weekend announcements of more local property control measures. A property index on the Shanghai stock exchange dropped as much as 3.3 percent to a 20-month low. The Hong Kong market, where Greentown trades, was closed for a public holiday yesterday. **Bloomberg**

PRC will halt a disorderly yuan slide, Morgan Stanley says

Christopher Anstey

CHINA is not using yuan depreciation as a tool in its trade conflict with the U.S., and will likely step in to avert any disorderly decline, according to Morgan Stanley.

"We don't expect policymakers to encourage material RMB depreciation," China economists at the bank, led by Robin Xing in Hong Kong, wrote in a July 1 note, referring to the renminbi, the official name of China's currency. "The PBOC could step up intervention if depreciation risk intensifies."

The People's Bank of China has already signaled that it's on alert for excessive declines, by setting the yuan's reference rate on the strong side of what models had predicted last week, according

to Morgan Stanley. Strategists at Goldman Sachs Group Inc. also on Friday concluded that the PBOC has been "leaning against excessive depreciation in recent days."

Morgan Stanley sees the yuan at 6.65 per dollar by the end of September, little changed from the 6.6540 level as of 3:42 p.m. in Shanghai. Its "base case" is for the currency to end the year at 6.6. Others have turned bearish after the recent drop, with ING Groep NV cutting its forecast for the second time in a week, to 7 for year-end.

The lesson of 2015, when China devalued its currency then scrambled to halt capital outflows and expectations for continuous yuan declines, is that "active material depreciation" can endanger financial

stability, Morgan Stanley said. The 3 percent drop in the yuan against the dollar over the past two weeks is in part a retracement of its outperformance from February to mid-June, the Morgan Stanley economists said. That earlier divergence was a function of inflows to China's bond market, which has become increasingly open to foreign investors and is benefiting from diversification moves by global fund managers.

The recent drop also coincided with weakening in Chinese economic data, and moves by the PBOC to shore up bank lending as a counter to regulators' crackdown on shadow banking. Trade tensions with the U.S. have driven market players to interpret the PBOC as having shifted its policy stance,

Morgan Stanley said.

"The possibility that the market may continue to misinterpret PBOC policy fine-tuning, and subdued sentiment, may lead to overshooting risks" for the currency in the near term, Xing and his colleagues wrote. "If the trade-weighted CNY index were to reverse all the divergence with the dollar from February to mid-June, USDCNY could depreciate another 3 percent or more, to 6.8-6.9," they wrote, using the ticker for the onshore yuan.

Officials may intervene if the yuan, measured against its trading partners' currencies, drops more than 0.6 percent to 0.7 percent in one session, Morgan Stanley said. Up to now, the declines have been about 0.5 percent. **Bloomberg**

ENVIRONMENT

Carbon emissions may have peaked

CHINA'S greenhouse-gas emissions could be falling faster than expected, bolstering the world's biggest polluter's leadership credentials in the fight against climate change.

A decline in emissions in the three years through 2016 is linked to technology improvements in cities focused on energy production and manufacturing, according to research led by the University of East Anglia in England. China can eliminate about 30 percent of its carbon dioxide output by concentrating on "super emitting" industry sectors in some of the 182 cities covered by the report.

The leveling off of China's emissions is a "tremendous watershed" in the fight to avoid dangerous climate change and reflects deliberate efforts to clean up, the report said. The nation, along with Canada and the European Union, are leading the charge in efforts to reduce greenhouse gases, unfazed by the U.S. planned withdrawal from the landmark Paris climate accord.

"The decline of Chinese emissions is structural and is likely to be sustained if the growing



industrial and energy system transitions continue," said Dabo Guan, a UEA climate-change economics professor and a lead author of the report published in the journal Nature Geoscience. "China has increasingly assumed a leadership role in climate-change mitigation."

Slowing economic growth and the expected ease for some of the nation's dirtiest regions to switch away from coal also contributed to the drop in emissions, the report said.

Still, carbon output fluctuates and more peaks may come. Last year's emissions, which aren't covered in UEA's report, rebounded to a record, according to estimates from BP Plc. And as slowing economic activity contributed to less greenhouse-gas production, renewed growth could reverse that, the UEA said.

Under government plans to cut emissions, China's regional pilot carbon market programs

will be replaced by a nationwide emissions trading system this year. A policy directive to cap coal use requires its proportion in the energy mix to decrease to about 58 percent by 2020 from 64 percent in 2015.

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DABO GUAN
UEA CLIMATE-CHANGE ECONOMICS PROFESSOR

China is scaling back plans for new coal power plants, the biggest reason why the volume of new projects worldwide has more than halved since 2012, according to London research group Carbon Tracker Initiative.

"Government policies are also a sign that the decline in China's emissions will carry on," UEA's Guan said. **Bloomberg**

HISTORY

Exhumed remains of 13 Chinese men to be reburied in Nevada

THE remains of 13 Chinese men unearthed in northeast Nevada more than two decades ago will finally be reburied in the Carlin City Cemetery.

The remains will be honored with a traditional Chinese ceremony today, the Elko Daily Free Press reported. The remains had been sent for archaeological study in 1996. "They will be laid to rest back where they should have been," said Margaret Johnston, a Carlin City Council member.

Thousands of Chinese immigrants arrived in the western United States to work in mines following the California Gold Rush in 1848, and later, many were hired to construct the Transcontinental Railroad in the 1880s.

A Carlin property owner discovered the remains after doing some digging in November 1996. The caskets were exhumed from the forgotten Chinese cemetery

by archaeologists from the Nevada State Museum, the U.S. Forest Service and the Elko County Chapter of the Nevada Archaeological Association.

The finding gained attention because there have been only a few professional archaeological excavations of Chinese cemeteries in the country, said Tim Murphy, a retired archaeologist living in Elko. Most early Chinese immigrants requested that their remains be sent back to China after their deaths.

The men were buried with artifacts like coins, matches, dishes and an opium pipe. The remains and artifacts were sent to the state museum for examination by physical anthropologists from the Smithsonian Institution. The remains were eventually sent to the anthropology department at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

Johnston, other Carlin of-

icials and Lee Chin pushed the university to return the remains. Chin pleaded for the return in a letter sent to the university earlier this year.

"It has taken far too long getting them home," Chin wrote. "Once again our Chinese ancestors are being dishonored by being treated like objects instead of being treated like human beings."

Murphy picked up the remains from the university and drove them back to Carlin.

"UNLV said they wouldn't be doing any more research on them, and they also didn't have a place for them in their physical anthropology department," Murphy said.

Following the burial of the men, the city plans to display their artifacts through the Carlin Historical Society, Johnson said.

"These 13 bodies will be laid to rest in peace forever," Johnson said. **AP**



Surveys show manufacturing growth cooling

TWO surveys show Chinese manufacturing slowed in June as exports weakened, Beijing tightened lending controls and trade tensions with Washington rose.

The business magazine Caixin said yesterday its monthly purchasing managers' index edged down to 51.0 from May's 51.1 on a 100-point scale on which numbers above 50 show activity increasing. A separate index released over the weekend by the Chinese

government statistics agency declined to 51.5 from May's 51.9.

China faces the threat of U.S. tariff hikes in a dispute over trade and technology but economic indicators already are turning down after Beijing tightened lending controls last year to rein in rising debt.

Caixin said its survey showed manufacturing improved for a 13th straight month, though exports fell for a third month. It said manufacturers reported employ-

ment declined at the fastest rate in 11 months.

Exports have shrunk as a share of China's economy and contribute less than 1 percent of annual growth but still support millions of manufacturing jobs.

The International Monetary Fund forecasts this year's Chinese economic growth to decline from last year's 6.9 percent to a still-robust 6.6 percent. Longer-term, the IMF expects growth to decline to 5.5 percent by 2023. **AP**

Thai rescuers locate missing boys and coach alive in cave

Tassanee Vejpongsa, Mae Sai

RESCUERS located 12 boys and their soccer coach alive deep inside a partially flooded cave in northern Thailand late yesterday, more than a week after they went missing, bringing hope in a desperate search that has attracted international help and captivated the nation.

Chiang Rai provincial Gov. Narongsak Osatanakorn said the 13 were in the process of being rescued, but he cautioned that they were not out of peril yet.

"We found them safe. But the operation isn't over," he said in comments broadcast nationwide.

Rescue divers had spent much of yesterday making preparations for a final push to locate the lost soccer players, aged 11 to 16, and their 25-year-old coach. They disappeared when flooding trapped them after entering the Tham Luang Nang Non cave on June 23.

Thai navy SEAL divers and rescue workers from other



A rescuer makes his way down muddy steps past water pump hoses at the entrance to a cave complex

countries made initial progress through the narrow passageway early yesterday after passing through a key chamber on Sunday whose high, murky waters had previously blocked their progress.

Narongsak earlier said the

passageway the divers made their way through goes upward in some places and downward in others and is extremely narrow, making it difficult for divers with all their gear to fit through.

Divers have been stymied re-

peatedly by rising water that has filled sections of the cave and forced them to withdraw for safety reasons. When water levels dropped Sunday, the divers went forward with a more methodical approach, deploying a rope line and extra oxygen supplies along the way.

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CHIANG RAI PROVINCIAL GOVERNOR

The SEALs' Facebook page said that since Sunday night, the divers had reached a bend where the kilometer-long passage splits in two directions. The divers were aiming for a sandy chamber on higher ground in the cave.

Narongsak explained earlier yesterday that fixing rope lines and deploying oxygen tanks

along their route will allow the divers to operate.

In addition to the divers, teams have been working to pump out water as well as divert groundwater. Other efforts have focused on finding shafts on the mountainside that might serve as a back door to the blocked-off areas where the missing may be sheltering.

Teams have been combing the mountainside looking for fissure that might lead to such shafts. Several have been found and explorers have been able to descend into some, but so far it is not clear whether they lead to anywhere useful.

Experts in cave rescues from around the world continued to gather at the site. An official Australian group has now followed a U.S. military team, British cave experts, Chinese lifesaving responders and several other volunteer groups from various countries.

"These are challenging conditions and there's a lot of consideration for safety as well as, the environment outside is contributing to the environment inside," said U.S. Air Force Capt. Jessica Tait, part of a 30-strong U.S. military team assisting in the search operation, referring to the rain that has been flooding the cave. "So I'd say, yeah, it's an accurate statement that it's challenging." AP

Stephen Wright, Jakarta

INDONESIA'S police and military are responsible for at least 95 unlawful killings in the easternmost Papua region since 2010, including targeted slayings of activists, Amnesty International said yesterday, condemning a near-total absence of justice for the mainly indigenous victims.

In a report based on two years of research, Amnesty said that more than half the victims were either political activists or people taking part in peaceful protests often unrelated to the Papuan independence movement. Security forces often explain their use of deadly force in Papua as a justified response to violent separatists.

It said none of the killings was the subject of independent criminal investigation. In about a third of the cases, there was not even an internal investigation. When police or military claimed to have investigated internally, they did not make the findings public. Eight deaths were compensated with money or pigs.

The killings — nearly

Amnesty: Indonesian forces behind unlawful killings in Papua

one a month for the past eight years — are a "serious blot" on Indonesia's human rights record, said Usman Hamid, executive director of Amnesty International Indonesia.

"This culture of impunity within the security forces must change, and those responsible for past deaths held to account," he said.

An independence movement and an armed insurgency have simmered in the formerly Dutch-controlled region since it was annexed by Indonesia in 1963. Indonesian rule has been frequently brutal, and indigenous Papuans, largely shut out of their region's economy, are poorer, sicker and more likely to die young than people elsewhere in Indonesia.

The army's spokesman in Papua province, Col. Muhammad Aidi, rejected Amnesty's report, describing it as "untrue and baseless."

"It is clearly slandering the government and



A Papuan activist whose body is painted in the colors of "Morning Star" separatist flag shouts slogans as police officers stand guard during a protest in Jakarta

trying to corner the army and police," he told The Associated Press.

Aidi claimed the rights group's investigations were "just based on interviews" and ignored the background to incidents. Amnesty's 66-page report, however, provides extensive detail and context and acknowledges that police and the military face a "complex environment" in the two Papuan provinces.

A majority of the killings

documented by Amnesty were the result of unnecessary or excessive use of force during protests or law enforcement operations and unlawful acts by individual officers, it said.

Some occurred in circumstances related to the Papuan independence movement such as raising of the banned "Morning Star" independence flag or ceremonies marking significant dates.

Whatever the situation,

victims were overwhelmingly male indigenous Papuans and the majority were 30 or younger.

The rights group said the government of President Joko "Jokowi" Widodo, elected in 2014, had failed to end the security forces' pervasive impunity in Papua, like all Indonesian governments before it.

Despite a promise by the newly elected Jokowi to bring to justice officers responsible for killing four people when they fired into a crowd of protesters in December 2014 in Paniai district, there has been no criminal investigation even after Indonesia's Human Rights Commission found evidence of "gross human rights violations," Amnesty said.

In that case, villagers were protesting the alleged beating of Papuan children and youths by soldiers and threw stones and wood at a police and military buildings before officers opened fire. Two witnesses saw police offi-

cers beat one of the protesters and shoot him at close range after he fell to the ground, according to the Human Rights Commission.

Jokowi's spokesman did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

His administration has released long-incarcerated Papuan political prisoners but activists say prosecutions and jailings that appear politically motivated have resumed recently.

At a news conference, Hamid faulted top security minister Wiranto, a former military chief who goes by one name, for lack of government attention to human rights abuses in Papua since he was appointed to the Cabinet in July 2016.

"We all know Wiranto has been implicated in human rights violations in East Timor in 1999," he said, referring to Indonesian military atrocities after East Timorese voted for independence in a U.N.-supervised referendum.

Amnesty said there have been 10 killings of activists from the pro-independence West Papua National Committee since 2010. AP

PHILIPPINES

Two years of Duterte: A mixed picture of drug war, economic boom

Andreo Calonzo, Ditas Lopez

PRESIDENT Rodrigo Duterte's two years in office in the Philippines have been marred by controversy, but with one big success: a booming economy. The jury is still out if that's because, or in spite, of him.

The brash, 73-year-old leader - nicknamed The Punisher when he was a crime-busting town mayor for two decades - has led an anti-drug war that's killed thousands of people, been labeled a misogynist, angered Catholics with his blasphemous statements and sidelined some of his enemies.

Yet an economy growing more than 6 percent and rising incomes have helped keep his popularity intact.

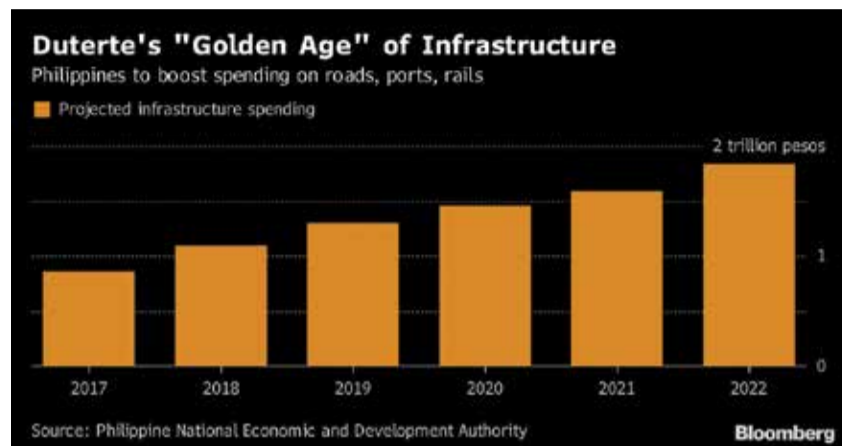
He's pushed through a tax reform plan, poured money into a 9-trillion-peso (USD170 billion) program to build roads and railways, added jobs and kept growth momentum going.

The remaining time of his single six-year term in office will be more challenging. The economy's outlook is turning sour as inflation surges to a five-year high, investors dump the nation's stocks and the currency hits a 12-year low against the dollar. That's not to mention mounting global risks, such as a U.S.-China trade war and rising interest rates.

As Duterte enters his third year in office, here's a look at how his administration has performed on some key indicators.

TAX REFORM

A comprehensive tax plan implemented this year - which



lowered income taxes and raised levies on sugary drinks and oil products - boosted government revenue by 19 percent in the first five months of the year compared to the same period last year. That's given Duterte more room to spend on projects to support an economy expanding near its potential growth of 6.9 percent to 7 percent.

Duterte's government has also taken a hardline stance against tax evasion, winning big in a settlement against cigarette maker Mighty Corp. for alleged wrongdoing.

INFRASTRUCTURE

Duterte's flagship program is dubbed Build, Build, Build, and involves almost 5,000 projects that are expected to generate 43 million jobs by the end of his six-year term. The focus is to spend 859 billion pesos completing 32 of 75 key infrastructure projects by 2022, including upgrading Manila's airport and rail links from the capital to northern provinces.

The infrastructure push will widen the budget deficit to 3.2

percent of gross domestic product next year, above the government's cap of 3 percent, Finance Secretary Carlos Dominguez said yesterday.

INFLATION

The tax law boosted fuel costs, and coupled with rising oil prices and a weak currency, pushed up the inflation rate to 4.6 percent in May. The central bank will miss its 2 percent to 4 percent target this year and is worried about price pressures spreading more broadly in the economy and adding to wage demands. Governor Nestor Espenilla has raised interest rates twice this year, with economists predicting he'll tighten some more in the second half of the year.

CURRENCY

The peso has been one of the hardest hit in Asia this year as stocks take a worse beating than their emerging-market peers. Overseas investors have pulled \$1.22 billion out of equities so far this year, exceeding the combined inflows in 2016 and 2017. Since Duterte took office in 2016,

foreign investors have withdrawn more than \$613 million.

RED TAPE

The Philippines slumped the most in Asia in a global competitiveness ranking by Switzerland-based IMD, dropping nine places to 50th of 63 economies. Stamping out red tape by speeding up bureaucratic processes and queues was one of Duterte's three biggest campaign pledges, along with restoring law and order and fighting corruption.

PUBLIC ORDER

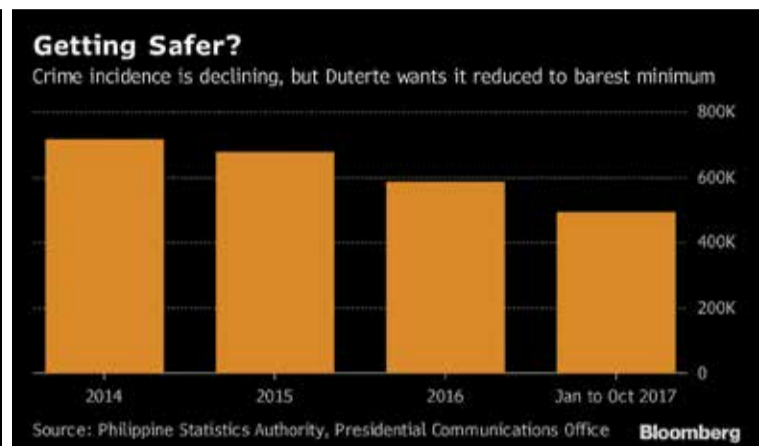
Duterte's security policies have been among his most controversial moves. He has repeatedly ordered police officers to shoot drug suspects who resist arrest, and promised to protect authorities from criminal cases in an effort to fight crime and drug dealers. But he's been criticized for supposedly encouraging summary killings in the drug war that's left at least 4,000 dead, based on police data. He's also imposed martial law in the southern island of Mindanao to combat terrorism. The govern-

ment have said crime rates have eased, but private surveys show 1.5 million families have still been victimized by common crimes during the first quarter of the year.

DIPLOMACY

Duterte's pivot to China has paid off with rising tourism, trade and investment from the world's second-largest economy. At the same time, relations with other partners, like the U.S., European Union, and the Middle East have deteriorated, said Raphael Mok, a senior analyst at Fitch Group's BMI Research, based in Singapore.

"Duterte's war on drugs, volatile leadership and disregard for human rights have put the Philippines at odds with the Western world," Mok said. "Although relations between Beijing and Manila have improved considerably, these diplomatic maneuvers are risky and would make the economy increasingly beholden to China, which is still at odds with the Philippines over conflicting maritime claims in the South China Sea." **Bloomberg**



New Zealander completes first solo kayak across Tasman Sea

Nick Perry, Wellington

ANew Zealand man yesterday became the first person to kayak solo across the daunting stretch of water that separates New Zealand from Australia.

Scott Donaldson looked weary and a little bedraggled when he raised his arms in jubilation after making landfall at the New Zealand town of New Plymouth, exactly two months after leaving from Coffs Harbour on Australia's east coast.

The 48-year-old was

helped by supporters up a beach, where dozens of people had gathered and waited for hours for him to arrive.

"I've got no words at the moment," Donaldson told them. "That was kind of epic."

He said his final few hours were "fantastic" because he was able to see the land ahead and the lights of civilization. He added that he needed a shower, before being processed by border control officials.

The 2,100-kilometer passage across the Tasman

Sea is regularly hit by fierce storms.

A 2007 crossing attempt by Australian adventurer Andrew McAuley ended in tragedy when McAuley disappeared while within sight of the New Zealand coast. Video footage McAuley had taken of his journey was later recovered and became the basis for a book and a documentary.

Donaldson was forced to abandon a previous attempt in 2014 when he was within sight of the New Zealand coastline after he

was hit by a storm.

But this time he was able to complete the journey after surviving a lightning storm and at one point coming close to a large and "frisky" shark. His modified kayak was made from carbon fiber and had a small cabin.

"On a good day, you're paddling for 16 hours," Donaldson told reporters. "On a bad day, you're stuck in the cabin. And on a worse day, you're going backward."

Donaldson said his arrival was giving him sensory



Scott Donaldson paddles his kayak in the Tasman Sea

overload. "I've seen water for the last, I don't know how many days it was, and that's all you see," he said. "A couple of birds, some fish, but it's just water."

New Zealand Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern posted a message about the journey on Twitter.

"There are some accomplishments that are diffi-

cult to fathom — like crossing the Tasman solo in a kayak," she wrote. "I'm pretty sure Scott Donaldson has stunned us all. Truly amazing."

Donaldson said there was an upside to being alone on the ocean without any screens or other worldly distractions: "It's very pure." **AP**

GERMANY

Little sign of compromise in government showdown

Geir Moulson, Berlin

CHANCELLOR Angela Merkel and her rebellious Bavarian allies searched yesterday for a way to end a standoff over migration after Germany's interior minister offered to resign, but a compromise looked elusive in the dispute that has rocked the government.

The crisis that has raised questions over the future of Merkel's 3½-month-old administration pits Interior Minister Horst Seehofer and his Bavaria-only Christian Social Union against Merkel, the head of its longtime sister party, the Christian Democratic Union.

Ahead of a difficult Bavarian state election in October, the CSU is determined to show it is tough on migration. Seehofer wants to turn asylum-seekers who have already been registered in another European Union country back at Germany's border, but Merkel is adamant that Germany shouldn't take unilateral action.



Angela Merkel

Seehofer and Merkel, who have long had a difficult relationship, have sparred over migrant policy on and off since 2015. However, the current dispute has erupted at a time when Germany is seeing far fewer newcomers than in that year's influx.

Seehofer, who reportedly argues that measures to tackle migration agreed at a European Union summit last week aren't

enough, said after his party's top leaders met early yesterday that he would hold talks during the day with the CDU. The leadership of Merkel's party approved a resolution Sunday stating that "turning people back unilaterally would be the wrong signal to our European partners."

It is unclear what effect Seehofer's resignation as interior minister and CSU leader, if he goes through with it, would have on

the two conservative parties' governing coalition with the center-left Social Democrats.

Over recent days, speculation had focused on the possibility of Merkel firing Seehofer if he went ahead unilaterally with his plan. That would likely end the seven-decade partnership of the CDU and CSU, which have a joint parliamentary group, and in turn would leave the government just short of a majority.

CDU leaders and lawmakers yesterday stressed the importance of maintaining intact the conservative alliance, Germany's strongest political force for much of its post-war history.

Deputy CDU leader Armin Laschet said the party's position is "independent of Horst Seehofer or Angela Merkel, because we want the European solution."

Merkel maintains that a plan to regulate immigration that European Union leaders approved Friday and bilateral agreements in principle that she hashed out with some countries for them to take back migrants would accomplish what Seehofer seeks.

However, the more conservative CSU believes its credibility is at stake as it tries to curb support for the anti-migration Alternative for Germany party in the upcoming Bavarian election.

European agreements "will take a very long time" to take effect and there are uncertainties over which countries will join in, hardline Bavarian governor Markus Soeder said. "So I think action in Germany to strengthen European interests is absolutely necessary."

But he also struck a conciliatory tone, saying "there is an abundance of possibilities [...] for compromises," without specifying what they were. He insisted that the CSU isn't questioning the government's stability and doesn't want to break up the CDU-CSU partnership.

"We can achieve a lot in a government, but not outside," Soeder said.

The Social Democrats, who have largely been bystanders so far, demanded that their coalition partners get their act together, and called for a meeting with the conservative leaders. Party leader Andrea Nahles said that "the CSU is on a dangerous ego trip that is paralyzing Germany and Europe."

"The blame game between CDU and CSU must end, because it is irresponsible," she said.

"My patience is gradually wearing thin." AP

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Mexico's victor reaches out to Trump, seeks NAFTA deal

THE morning after his crushing election victory, Mexico's president-elect Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador thanked President Donald Trump for his congratulation message and said he'll contact the U.S. leader to "reach an understanding."

Lopez Obrador said in an interview yesterday with the Televisa news network that Trump's Tweet Sunday night "was very respectful. That is what we always want to maintain with the U.S. government, that there be mutual respect."

Trump tweeted Sunday that "I look very much forward to working with him. There is much to be done that will benefit both the United States and Mexico!"

"We are never going to disrespect the U.S. government, because we want them to respect us," Lopez Obrador said. "At the appropriate moment, we are going to get in touch, to reach an understanding" with the Trump administration.

"We are conscious of the need to maintain good relations with the United States," he added. Lopez Obrador had been compared to Trump for his populist, nationalist rhetoric and sometimes touchy personality — as well as his past skepticism about the trade deal.

But Lopez Obrador said he supports reaching a deal on renegotiating the North American Free Trade Agreement with the United States and Canada. The talks have been stalled over the Trump administration demands for higher U.S. content and a "sunset clause" in the 1994 trade



Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador acknowledges his supporters as he arrives to Mexico City's main square

agreement.

Lopez Obrador said he will propose that his own team of experts be included in the talks. The winning candidate said he will make that proposal in a meeting Tuesday with current President Enrique Pena Nieto.

Lopez Obrador told Televisa that he will respect the current team of negotiators, and let them continue representing Mexico until he takes office Dec. 1. Lopez Obrador said he wants to have information on what's being discussed and "to help as much as we can."

With just over half of votes counted yesterday, Lopez Obrador had about 53.7 percent of the votes, a remarkable margin not seen in the country for more than three decades.

A prominent exit poll predicted his party allies were poised to score big victories in congressional and governorship races.

Lopez Obrador, who campaigned on vows to transform Mexico and oust the "mafia of power" ruling the country, rode widespread voter anger and discontent with the governing Institutional Revolution Party, or PRI, of President Enrique Pena Nieto and had led opinion polls since the beginning of the campaign.

The PRI, which dominated Mexican politics for nearly the entire 20th century and recaptured the presidency in 2012, was set to suffer heavy losses, not just for the presidency but in other races as well.

In brief remarks at a hotel in central Mexico City late Sunday, Lopez Obrador called for reconciliation after a polarizing campaign and promised profound change but with respect for the law and constitutional order.

"I confess that I have a legitimate ambition: I want to go down in history as a good pre-

sident of Mexico," said Lopez Obrador, who had lost in the previous two presidential elections. "I desire with all my soul to raise the greatness of our country on high."

Lopez Obrador said he would "seek to establish an authentic democracy and we do not intend to establish a dictatorship." He said, "The changes will be profound, but in accordance with established order."

Conservative Ricardo Anaya of a right-left coalition and the PRI's Jose Antonio Meade acknowledged defeat shortly after polls closed nationwide. The quick count had them around 22 percent and 16 percent, respectively.

Lopez Obrador said individual and property rights would be guaranteed, promised respect for the autonomy of the central Bank of Mexico and said his government will maintain finan-

cial and fiscal discipline.

He said contracts obtained under energy reforms passed under President Enrique Pena Nieto will be scrutinized for any corruption or illegality, but otherwise contracts will be honored.

"There will be no confiscation or expropriation of assets. [...] Eradicating corruption will be the principal mission," he said.

Lopez Obrador also spoke of reducing Mexican immigration to the United States through economic development.

I confess that I have a legitimate ambition: I want to go down in history as a good president of Mexico.

LOPEZ OBRADOR

"Mexicans will be able [...] to work and be happy where they were born," he said. And rather than the use of force to fight spiraling violence, he will look to fix root causes such as inequality and poverty.

Partial vote counts also showed probable gubernatorial wins for allies of Lopez Obrador's Morena party in at least four of eight state races on the ballot plus for the head of government in Mexico City. The central state of Guanajuato was expected to go to a candidate of the conservative National Action Party.

The polling firm Consulta Mitofsky predicted Morena allies would take between 56 and 70 seats in the 128-member Senate and between 256 and 291 spots in the 500-seat lower house. **AP**

US

Millions make a costly mistake when paying credit card bills

Riley Griffin

IT'S natural to fret about your credit score. Most Americans would do almost anything to improve it. Mistakes, of course, are bound to happen.

More than one in five credit card users have carried a balance to help improve their credit scores, according to a study released yesterday by CreditCards.com. But carrying a balance is not one of the factors that comprises a credit score—and doing so could lead to more harm

than good.

Leaving a balance past a payment due date causes cardholders to pay unnecessary interest, and could even negatively affect their credit score if the balance pushes their credit utilization too high.

Twenty-eight percent of millennials with a credit card said they have made this mistake, while only 25 percent of Gen-Xers and 16 percent of those age 54 and older admit to the same blunder.

The survey was conducted for the online marke-

tplace CreditCards.com by market-research firm GfK, which gathered data last month from 1,000 Americans aged 18 and older.

"The fact of the matter is that carrying a balance will never improve your credit," said CreditCards.com senior industry analyst Matt Schulz. "With interest rates at an all-time high, cardholders should aim to pay off their bills in full every month, and, more importantly, pay on time."

Lower earners and those

without a college education are also likely to fall victim to the misconception. Thirty percent of credit card users making under USD50 thousand dollars per year have tried to improve their credit scores by carrying a balance, compared to 19 percent of those who earn over that amount. And 27 percent of cardholders without a college degree have done the same, compared to only 12 percent with a college education.

Many Americans are simply struggling to pay



their credit card bills on time. Forty-two percent admit to paying a credit card bill late. And, once again, millennials tend to be the most habitual late-payers, with 10 percent

reporting they have paid a late fee five or more times.

More than half of millennials said they paid a bill late because they did not have enough money at the time. **Bloomberg**

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Offbeat

INDIANA POLICE SAY THEY SEIZED 'TRUMP-SHAPED ECSTASY PILLS'

Some drug traffickers appear to be using President Donald Trump's image to brand their illegal wares. An Indiana State Police news release about 129 arrests in a series of drug busts in northern Indiana includes a photo of what police describe as "Trump-shaped ecstasy pills."

They are orange and stamped with a face. On the back are the words "great again," an apparent reference to Trump's campaign slogan, "Make America Great Again."

Traffickers sometimes produce uniquely shaped or colored drugs as a marketing technique to encourage buyers to return for more.

Friday's release doesn't provide details, including how many of the pills were seized.

The six-day operation in June involved traffic stops by state and city police, as well as sheriff's departments. LSD, cocaine and other drugs were also seized.

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ROOM 1

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Director: Jeffrey Chiang

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ROOM 1

2:15, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45pm

Director: J.A. Bayona

Starring: Chris Pratt, Bryce Dallas Howard, BD Wong

Language: English (Chinese)

Duration: 135min



ESCAPE PLAN 2: HADES

ROOM 2

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

Director: Steven C. Miller

Starring: Sylvester Stallone, Dave Bautista, Huang XiaoMing

Language: English (Chinese)

Duration: 96min

OCEAN'S EIGHT

ROOM 2

2:30, 4:30, 7:30, 9:30pm

Director: Gary Ross

Starring: Sandra Bullock, Cate Blanchett, Anne Hathway

Language: English (Chinese)

Duration: 110min



COLORS OF WIND

ROOM 3

2:30, 4:45, 7:15pm

Director: Kwak Jae-Young

Starring: Furukawa Yuki, Fujii Takemi

Language: Japanese (Chinese & English)

HOTEL ARTEMIS

ROOM 3

9:30pm

Director: Drew Pearce

Starring: Jodie Foster, Dave Bautista

Language: English (Chinese)

Duration: 94min

this day in history



1966 ARRESTS IN LONDON AFTER VIETNAM RALLY

At least 31 people have been arrested in London after their protest against the Vietnam War turned violent.

Police moved in after scuffles broke out at the demonstration outside the US Embassy in Grosvenor Square.

The crowd of 4,000 became agitated after the general secretary of the Communist Party, John Gollan, urged them to disperse.

A police motorbike patrolman was knocked over and a lit match was thrown into the petrol that leaked from the machine.

A force of 200 police officers had cordoned off Grosvenor Square by the time the protestors had marched there from Trafalgar Square.

The demonstrators were chanting "hands off Vietnam" and other slogans as they waited for a five-strong delegation to hand over a resolution to embassy officials.

They were calling for an end to US bombings and the withdrawal of US ground troops from Vietnam.

The Americans have recently carried out air attacks in North Vietnam including on the capital Hanoi and Haiphong - another major town.

Amongst the demonstrators were 2,000 members of the newly formed Youth for Peace in Vietnam Movement (YPVM).

Earlier the YPVM had marched to Downing Street, through the streets of the West End, chanting "Victory to the Vietcong".

They joined the rest of the rally - then massing in Trafalgar Square - after they had handed a letter to the Prime Minister calling for the UK to disassociate itself from US policy in Vietnam.

Foreign Secretary Michael Stewart returned from south-east Asia yesterday.

Speaking from London Airport he said the British approach to US policy was not one of "blanket approval".

China issued a statement today about the American raids on Hanoi and Haiphong.

The statement denounced the US for its "barbarous, wanton and criminal act of aggression and war".

It also said: "In accordance with the interests and demands of the Vietnamese people we will at any time take such actions as we deem necessary."

Courtesy BBC News

IN CONTEXT

Protest marches against the Vietnam War - often driven by students - took place in other European and American cities throughout the conflict. They were instrumental in turning public opinion against the war and forcing the US government to re-consider its intervention in south-east Asia.

Protests intensified towards the end of the 1960s as the costs and casualties of war rose.

In 1968 US students burnt their draft cards and over 600,000 were involved in a march on Washington in November 1969.

Student demonstrators were joined by other disaffected groups - including the working class and war veterans.

The anti-war movement declined after President Nixon suspended the draft and began to withdraw US troops in 1971.

YOUR STARS

Aries

Mar. 21-Apr. 19

There are quite a few people counting on you to make the right decision - in order to either save money or make money. You can avoid letting the pressure get to you by taking a more impersonal point of view.

Taurus

April 20-May 20

You are about to be given a choice - and you should take the decision-making process seriously, because depending on where you fall, you could start moving toward a major turning point.

Gemini

May 21-Jun. 21

Expect a show of gratitude for the way you have been respecting their space. It might be the perfect time to start getting things going again ... the two of you are back on similar paths in life.

Cancer

Jun. 22-Jul. 22

Your job today is to share as much of yourself as possible, but the important thing to remember is that you should only share yourself with the people who are interested.

Leo

Jul. 23-Aug. 22

Being active is usually a good thing, but if you have been running on overdrive for a while, it is now time to slow down - before you get overheated, you need to stop your engines and just let things cool off.

Virgo

Aug. 23-Sept. 22

Consider the people you are surrounding yourself with right now - are they having too much of an influence over you? There is nothing wrong with learning from other people or adopting some of their beliefs.

Libra

Sep.23-Oct. 22

The things you've been involved in lately are starting to get a life of their own, so today is the time to relinquish some of your control. If you're ready for a break in the action.

Scorpio

Oct. 23 - Nov. 21

No matter how big they may be, the pressures of today will not be able to touch you - as long as you focus on the reasons behind your actions. Live your life philosophy every minute you can.

Sagittarius

Nov. 22-Dec. 21

All work and no play is no fun, so there is nothing wrong with exploring the more recreational side of your life. Consider taking lessons or getting into a more formal environment when you can learn from other people.

Capricorn

Dec. 22-Jan. 19

If you want this day to be a successful one, you will need to be prepared to ask for help (if you need it). Chances are you'll be fine on your own, but this day does have some potential roadblocks waiting for you.

Aquarius

Jan. 20-Feb. 18

You're the one everyone is turning to right now, so get ready to lend an ear. Quite a few people need a healthy dose of your famous insight to get them back on track and in the right frame of mind.

Pisces

Feb.19-Mar. 20

Cut to the chase today - especially when it comes to communication. The quicker you get to the heart of the matter, the better. You have some time constraints to deal with right now.

THE BORN LOSER by Chip Sansom



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| Harbin | 21 | 28 | thundershower |
| Tianjin | 23 | 32 | overcast |
| Urumqi | 22 | 30 | cloudy |
| Xi'an | 20 | 26 | moderate rain |
| Lhasa | 14 | 25 | drizzle/overcast |
| Chengdu | 22 | 25 | heavy rain/shower |
| Chongqing | 25 | 31 | drizzle |
| Kunming | 18 | 26 | cloudy |
| Nanjing | 25 | 32 | cloudy |
| Shanghai | 25 | 31 | overcast/drizzle |
| Wuhan | 25 | 32 | drizzle |
| Hangzhou | 24 | 30 | thundershower |
| Taipei | 27 | 34 | overcast |
| Guangzhou | 26 | 34 | moderate rain |
| Hong Kong | 27 | 31 | cloudy |
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| Moscow | 12 | 21 | cloudy |
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| London | 15 | 24 | cloudy/drizzle |
| New York | 24 | 34 | clear |

CROSSWORDS

ACROSS: 1- Belief; 4- Universe; 10- Phooey!; 14- PBS benefactor; 15- Clothing; 16- Work without ___; 17- TV adjunct; 18- Theater gallery; 20- Greek letter; 21- Attendee; 22- Monetary unit of India; 23- Aristocratic; 25- Singer Bryson; 28- Old Ford; 29- Drop ___ (moon); 30- Game of chance; 31- Kill; 32- Situated below the mandible; 35- It's cold!; 36- Actor Gulager; 37- List of particulars; 44- Skin marking, often due to injury; 45- Doctrine; 46- Burn the midnight oil, studying; 48- Laughing syllable; 49- Family car; 50- Take care of; 51- Expeditiously; 53- Astound; 55- Letters on a Cardinal's cap; 56- Doubling of a part on itself; 59- Asian holiday; 60- Butter substitute; 61- Come out; 62- Prior to, to Prior; 63- Power unit; 64- Barrister; 65- Taxpayer's ID;

DOWN: 1- Create with the imagination; 2- Zones; 3- Carrion-eating stork; 4- Mooch; 5- Other, in Oaxaca; 6- Raise a grade?; 7- Engage in textual misprision; 8- Surgery sites, briefly; 9- Brief instant; 10- ___ avis; 11- Accessory; 12- Communications satellite; 13- Stable; 19- Wall St. debut; 24- Awkward sailor; 26- Tropical cuckoo bird; 27- North American lynx; 30- Mineral used as a weighting agent; 31- Water channel; 33- Richie's dad, to the Fonz; 34- Final; Abbr.; 37- Shoulder blade; 38- Defensive wall; 39- Gave grub; 40- Agitated; 41- 100 years; 42- Brother of Electra; 43- Chats; 44- Sundial indicator; 47- Liquefied by heat; 49- Cinque follower; 50- Look of disdain; 52- Coagulate; 54- Impulse to act; 57- Cartoon frame; 58- Doc bloc;



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WORLD CUP 2018

Neymar leads Brazil into quarterfinals

NEYMAR flaunted his flair and his theatrics with a goal and an assist yesterday to lead Brazil into the quarterfinals at the World Cup with a 2-0 victory over Mexico.

The world's most expensive player put Brazil in the lead after his back-heel released Willian, who then sent the ball into the penalty area. Neymar slid in to tap in the opener in the 51st minute.

Neymar then showed his unselfish side, crossing for Robert Firmino to score in the 88th minute. Neymar has 11 goals and nine assists in his last 19 games for Brazil.

It looked like Neymar's game — or even his World Cup — could be over with 20 minutes to go. It turned out to be pure histrionics. Writhing in agony after his right ankle was stepped on by Miguel Layun, Neymar

managed to get back on his feet. But not before trying a stamp on Layun himself. Both escaped punishment.

The five-time World Cup champions will next face either Japan or Belgium in their seventh straight quarterfinal match, the stage they have reached at every World Cup since 1994.

Not so for the Mexicans, who have lost in the round of 16 seven straight times. **AP**

PREVIEW

Switzerland doesn't want to be caught napping against Sweden

SWITZERLAND doesn't want to be caught napping early in its World Cup match against Sweden in the round of 16. The Swiss have twice conceded the opening goal in Russia — first in their 1-1 draw with Brazil and again against Serbia — when Switzerland became the first team at this World Cup to win after going a goal down.

"We have to be ready to play really from the get-go in such a way to have the initiative on our side," coach Vladimir Petkovic said yesterday through an interpreter. Switzerland takes on Sweden in St. Petersburg today [10 p.m., Macau time], with the winner facing a quarterfinal against either England or Colombia.

History is beckoning for the No. 6-ranked Swiss team. If it beats Sweden, Switzerland would reach the World Cup quarterfinals for the first time since 1954. The country has never

advanced to the final four of the tournament. Sweden's last quarterfinal appearance was in 1994, on its way to the semifinals.

Midfielder Granit Xhaka wants to match Switzerland's best-ever World Cup finish and then surpass it. "I hope that tomorrow is not our last match and even the next round will not be the final one for us in this tournament," he said.

Against a Sweden team ranked No. 24 in the world, the Swiss team will be without the heart of its defense, with captain Stephan Lichtsteiner and Fabian Schaer suspended after picking up their second yellow cards of the tournament.

"Defensive play will be important tomorrow [today]," Petkovic said. He wouldn't confirm who would replace the suspended defenders, but Michael Lang and Johan Djourou are expected to be named in the starting line-up. **AP**

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Russia adds to list of famous World Cup upsets

Noah Trister

WITH a spirited home crowd cheering on, Russia made a memorable contribution to the World Cup's history of upsets.

The Russians beat Spain on penalty kicks in the round of 16 early yesterday [Macau time], eliminating the 2010 champions and overcoming seemingly non-stop possession by the Spaniards. Russia is No. 70 in the FIFA ranking and Spain is No. 10, and the Spanish were considered serious contenders to win the tournament.

The FIFA ranking may have underrated Russia because as the host country, it didn't have to play any qualifiers. Still, this upset was a significant one, especially since it occurred in the knockout phase and put the Russians through to the quarterfinals.

Here's a look back through World Cup history at some of the event's other famous upsets:



In this June 16, 1982 file photo, Algeria's Lakhdar Belloumi (left) celebrates after scoring the second and winning goal for his team

SENEGAL'S RUN (2002)

France was the defending World Cup and European champion when it was eliminated in the group stage in a dismal showing in 2002. The French never recovered from their 1-0 loss to Senegal in the tournament opener in Seoul. This was a wild World Cup in which South Korea and Turkey both reached the semifinals.

The United States made it to the quarterfinals — and Senegal did as well, beating Sweden 2-1 in the round of 16 on a goal by Henri Camara.

GERMANY STUMBLES (1994 and 1998)

Arguably the most consistent contender in World Cup his-

tory, Germany dropped a pair of quarterfinals against unheralded European challengers. Bulgaria knocked the Germans out 2-1 in 1994 in New Jersey. Four years later in France, the Germans lost 3-0 to Croatia.

ARGENTINA'S ROLLER COASTER (1990)

Defending champion Argentina rarely looked impressive in Italy in 1990, but Diego Maradona's team managed a runner-up showing anyway. Cameroon shocked Argentina 1-0 in the opener despite two red cards, but from that point on, the Argentinians kept advancing — barely — even when up against

seemingly superior opponents. They beat Brazil 1-0 in the round of 16 and edged host Italy in the semifinals on penalties.

The Italians hadn't allowed a goal all tournament before Argentina's Claudio Caniggia scored in the second half of the semifinal.

ALL FOR NAUGHT (1982)

Algeria shook up the 1982 World Cup in Spain with a 2-1 victory over West Germany at the start of the initial group stage. The Germans advanced anyway under controversial circumstances. Heading into the group's final match between West Germany and Austria, a 1-0 win by

the Germans would allow both those teams to advance at Algeria's expense. That's exactly what happened in a timid match that became known as the "Disgrace of Gijon."

OUT OF NOWHERE (1966)

For a brief moment in England in 1966, it appeared North Korea — yes, North Korea — might reach the semifinals of the World Cup. The North Koreans had already beaten Italy 1-0 in the group stage. Then they raced out to a 3-0 lead over Portugal in the quarterfinals before eventually falling 5-3.

TURNING THE TABLES (1954)

The biggest upset in a World Cup final may have been West Germany's "Miracle of Bern" in 1954. Hungary had run roughshod through this tournament in Switzerland, scoring 25 goals in four matches before the final — including an 8-3 win over the Germans in group play. Ferenc Puskas and the Hungarians led 2-0 early in the final before West Germany rallied for a 3-2 victory.

MARACANAZO (1950)

There was no winner-take all final in 1950, only a final group stage, but the climactic match between Brazil and Uruguay decided the title. The host Brazilians had won their previous two games by a combined 13-2 and needed only a draw against Uruguay to win the World Cup. But the visitors rallied in the second half for a 2-1 victory at the Maracana in Rio de Janeiro. The match is known as the "Maracanazo."

BELO HORIZONTE (1950)

Earlier in that 1950 tournament, England endured its own massive upset, losing 1-0 to the U.S. in Belo Horizonte. A goal by Joe Gaetjens in the first half held up until the end. Neither team made it out of that group. The U.S. would not win another World Cup match until 1994. **AP**

LATEST RESULTS

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| France | 4 | 3 | Argentina |
| Uruguay | 2 | 1 | Portugal |
| Spain | 1 | 1 (3 - 4 on penalties) | Russia |
| Croatia | 1 | 1 (3 - 2 on penalties) | Denmark |
| Brazil | 2 | 0 | Mexico |

WORLD CUP 2018

Ecstatic Russians pour onto the streets after win

MOST Russian fans just hoped that this World Cup team would not embarrass itself at a home tournament. Now they are ecstatically flooding the streets to celebrate a massive upset with hopes for more.

Russians partied loudly in the center of Moscow Sunday night after their team beat Spain to reach the quarterfinals of the World Cup for the first time since the Soviet era. Even those who lost money on the game were cheering.

"I'm proud to be Russian and I'm proud to be at this celebration," said Nikolai, who didn't give his surname. "I will tell my grandchildren and my children that I was here, that we beat Spain, and I'm proud of this. It will always be in my heart."

Fans climbed lampposts to cheer and some wore false mustaches in imitation of coach Stanislav Cherchesov. One said he'd bet 1,000 rubles (USD16) on Spain but was happy to lose.

The celebrations crossed political divides too.

"YEEEEESSS! We need to announce a series of protests demanding [goalkeeper Igor] Akinfeev is made a Hero of Russia," wrote opposition leader Alexei Navalny, who has spent numerous stretches in detention over his involvement in protests against president Vladimir Putin's government.

One of Navalny's campaign staff, Ruslan Shavveddinov, messaged that everyone should head

out onto the streets to celebrate, adding a hashtag which translated to "for a tweet like this you can get [sentenced to] 30 days."

Russia's usually strict laws against unsanctioned public gatherings have been effectively suspended for World Cup celebrations, with Nikolskaya Street in central Moscow transformed into an around-the-clock space for fans to party. Police there turn a blind eye to drinking on the street, which would usually attract a fine. **AP**



opinion

Our Desk

Daniel Beitler



OUR ADDICTION TO WASTE



Macau's addiction to waste is a troubling phenomenon, especially because such a disparity exists between what we think we throw out and what we actually do.

The picture above, acquired by the Times from a reader, shows a rooftop on the peninsula. It is both astonishing and undignified for Macau.

According to data provided by the Environmental Protection Bureau, Macau is one of the most wasteful cities in the world in terms of production per capita.

The amount of waste produced per capita per day in Macau amounted to 2.11 kilograms in 2016, significantly higher than in Beijing (1 kilogram), Hong Kong (1.39 kilograms) and Singapore (1.49 kilograms).

From a worldwide perspective, Macau exceeds the average daily per capita production of the European Union, currently at 1.3 kilograms, and even the U.S., where waste production reaches 2 kilograms per person per day.

Few people in Macau would have guessed that. Integrated resorts in the city no doubt play a major role in creating waste – particular when it comes to food, but also in terms of electricity, packaging and print promotions. Some degree of waste is expected, perhaps unavoidable, when dealing with luxury services, like those offered in integrated resorts.

Though luxury does not necessarily entail waste, it often goes hand-in-hand with over-indulgence and surplus.

A friend of mine was once so mindful never to waste food that he would resist the discomfort of feeling full just to clean his plate. That was until someone told him that eating in excess is also a waste of food – it's just waste stored in our bodies, instead of a trash can.

But for others, luxury doesn't have to presuppose waste. Go for a fine-dining experience and you will find that luxury does not mean excess, but rather refinement and exclusivity.

And anyway integrated resorts cannot assume all of the blame.

A part of the reason that Macau's daily per capita waste is far beyond that of its neighbors (and perhaps the entire world) is due to the very low level of poverty that exists in the city. The government has been successful in raising living standards for the entire population that is fortunate enough to be considered a "permanent" inhabitant.

In a recent "Shoot and Chop" episode about the environment, interviewees were asked their opinions about whether Macau can do more to recycle. The consensus was yes: Macau can do more and it should do more. And yet the respondents almost unanimously considered that they were not the ones who needed to take the first steps.

As for me – years of being scolded for wastefulness is beginning to pay off. I have a long way to go, but I try to make a point of refusing single-use plastic bags and accepting that I will need to pay a premium when ordering food because I don't need or want the drink or dessert required for the discount.

The Environmental Protection Bureau has also realized that it must take the lead in combatting the scale of waste in the city – not least of all because a failure to do so would call into question the entire purpose of the department... and that is a topic for another day.

To this end, the bureau aims to reduce the amount of waste per capita each day by 30 percent by 2026. That would mean that the average person in Macau consumes 1.48 kilograms of waste each day, or about the level of Hong Kong today. Good luck to them.

THE BUZZ ASTRONOMERS REPORT 1ST IMAGE OF BABY PLANET BEING FORMED

Astronomers say they've captured the first confirmed image of a planet forming in the dust swirling around a young star. Scientists said yesterday the planet appears as a bright spot in the snapshot taken using the European Southern Observatory's Very Large Telescope in Chile.

Miriam Kepler of the Max Planck Institute for Astronomy in Germany said hints of baby planets have been detected before, but astronomers weren't sure whether those observations might simply be features in the swirling dust.

In a paper to be published in the journal *Astronomy & Astrophysics*, scientists describe the planet,



located about 3 billion kilometers from the star PDS 70, as a gas giant bigger than Jupiter. They say it has a cloudy atmosphere and a surface temperature of 1,000 degrees Celsius.

NORTH KOREA

Nuclear effort ramped up weeks after summit

Kanga Kong

EVIDENCE of new efforts by Kim Jong Un to expand his nuclear arsenal underscore the challenge facing U.S. President Donald Trump three weeks after declaring that North Korea was "no longer a nuclear threat."

Several reports released in recent days suggest that Kim continued to ramp up his weapons production – rather than prepare to disarm – in the weeks leading up to his June 12 summit with Trump in Singapore. The reports published by independent researchers and media organizations detail expansion efforts to increase fuel production, build more missile launchers and expand a key rocket-engine manufacturing facility.

The moves illustrate how far Kim remains from surrendering his nuclear weapons despite committing to "work toward complete denuclearization of the Korean Peninsula" during his meeting with Trump. While the reports – some relying on satellite imagery predating the summit – haven't been officially verified, they suggest U.S. Secretary of State Mike Pompeo has much to discuss during an expected trip to Pyongyang in the coming days.



"The reports are just a good reminder of how complicated and difficult it is to denuclearize the North," said Shin Beomchul, director at the Asan Institute for Policy Studies' Center for Security and Unification. "North Korea's intent to denuclearize has been verified only by words and, now with Pompeo expected to make another visit to Pyongyang, it's time to prove them with actions."

In the days since the summit, Kim has expanded ties with rivals and allies alike, visiting China and holding talks on economic cooperation with South Korea.

Meanwhile, the U.S. and South Korea have suspended regular military exercises seen in North Korea as a threat. And the Seoul-based *Munhwa Ilbo* newspaper re-

ported yesterday that the local government was considering canceling or scaling back missile-defense plans.

Although Kim has pledged to halt nuclear-weapons tests and demolished a facility used for all six of the country's atomic bomb detonations, he has said nothing about production and made no commitment to unilaterally disarm. U.S. defense analysts have said North Korea retains as many as 60 nuclear bombs and a range of missiles, including some that are capable of striking the U.S.

Recent revelations include an NBC News report that said U.S. intelligence agencies believe North Korea has increased its production of enriched uranium fuel for nuclear weapons at multiple secret sites in recent months. **Bloomberg**

THE DECISIVE MOMENT



A child holds a banner next to Roger Federer of Switzerland, asking for his headband, at the end of his Men's Singles first round match against Serbia's Dusan Lajovic yesterday at the Wimbledon Tennis Championships in London.

| Station | Air quality |
|-------------------------------|-------------|
| Roadside | 25-45 Good |
| High Density Residential Area | 25-45 Good |
| Ambient | 25-45 Good |

WORLD BRIEFS

US-N. KOREA The State Department says a senior U.S. diplomat held talks with North Korea in the demilitarized zone between the two Koreas over the weekend.



IRAN President Hassan Rouhani has arrived in Switzerland for talks expected to focus on salvaging progress from the Iran nuclear deal after the Trump administration's walkout.



US-PALESTINE Seven former American ambassadors to the United Nations called on the Trump administration yesterday to restore funding to the U.N. agency that helps Palestinian refugees across the Middle East.

GREECE A former defense minister serving 20 years for corruption has again secured early release from prison on health grounds, pending the hearing of an appeal against his conviction.



GERMANY Chancellor Angela Merkel and her rebellious Bavarian allies searched yesterday for a way to end a standoff over migration after Germany's interior minister offered to resign, but a compromise looked elusive in the dispute that has rocked the government. *More on p14*

FRANCE-BELGIUM A married couple with Iranian roots was arrested "just in time" as they allegedly prepared to head to France from Belgium to bomb a large rally an Iranian opposition group held over the weekend, authorities said yesterday.