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**China** The first two generating units of the world's second-biggest hydroelectric dam were officially turned on yesterday in southwestern China, the government announced. The Baihetan Dam on the Jinsha River, a tributary of the Yangtze, is part of Chinese efforts to curb surging fossil fuel demand by building more hydropower capacity at a time when dams have fallen out of favor in other countries due to environmental complaints.

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**Chinese** and Russian leaders yesterday hailed increasingly close ties between their countries and announced the extension of a 20-year-old friendship treaty, a show of unity amid their tensions with the West. Speaking in a video call with Chinese President Xi Jinping, Russian President Vladimir Putin said that the treaty signed in July 2001 in Moscow helped take relations between Moscow and Beijing to an "unprecedented height" and would be extended for another five years.

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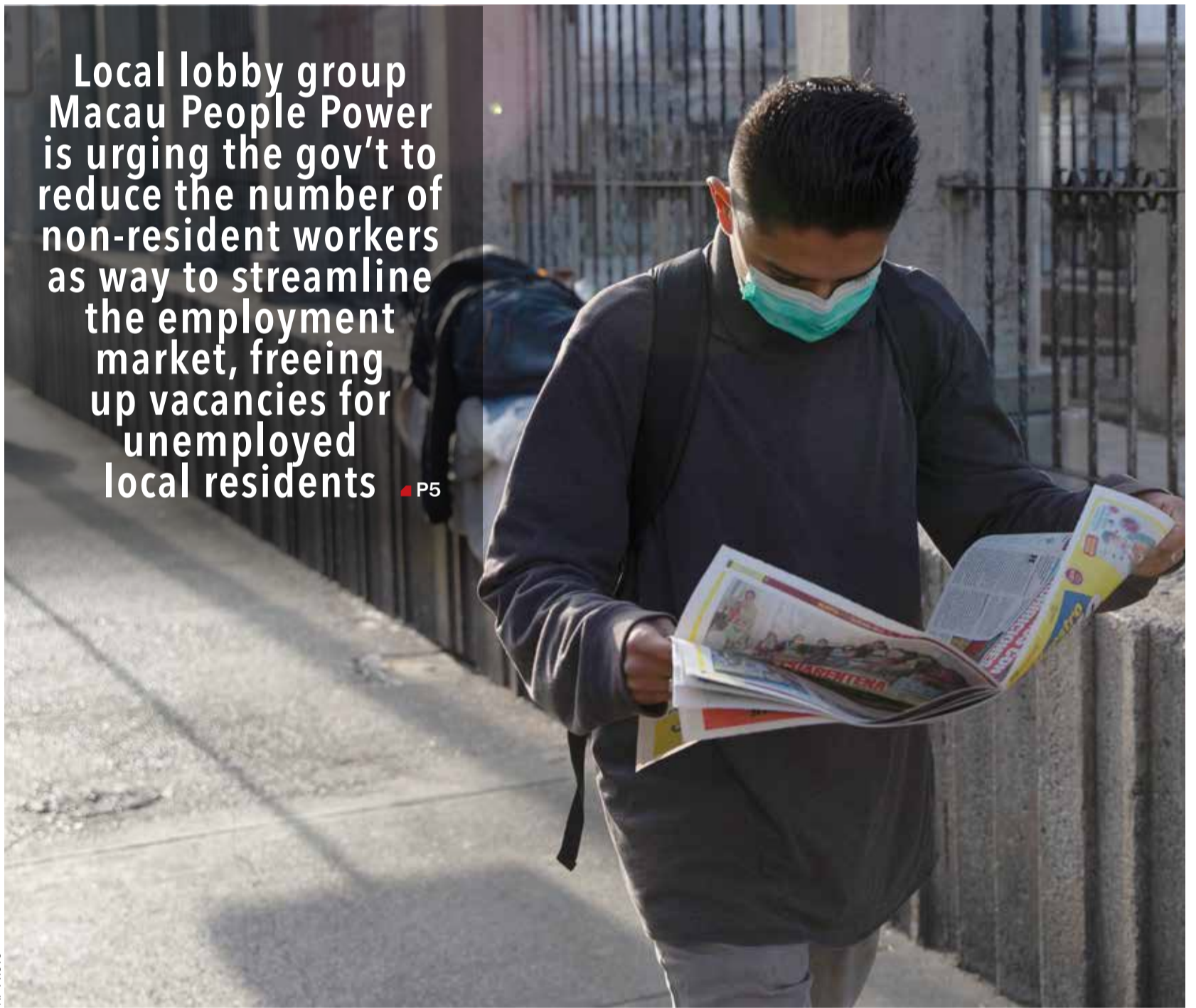
**Japanese** Prime Minister Yoshihide Suga pledged yesterday to strengthen health controls at airports after a Ugandan Olympic team member tested positive for COVID-19 at the town hosting their training camp, triggering concerns that the upcoming games will spread infections. A Ugandan team member, reportedly a coach, tested positive on Saturday at Tokyo's Narita airport and was quarantined there. But the rest of the nine-person team was allowed to travel.

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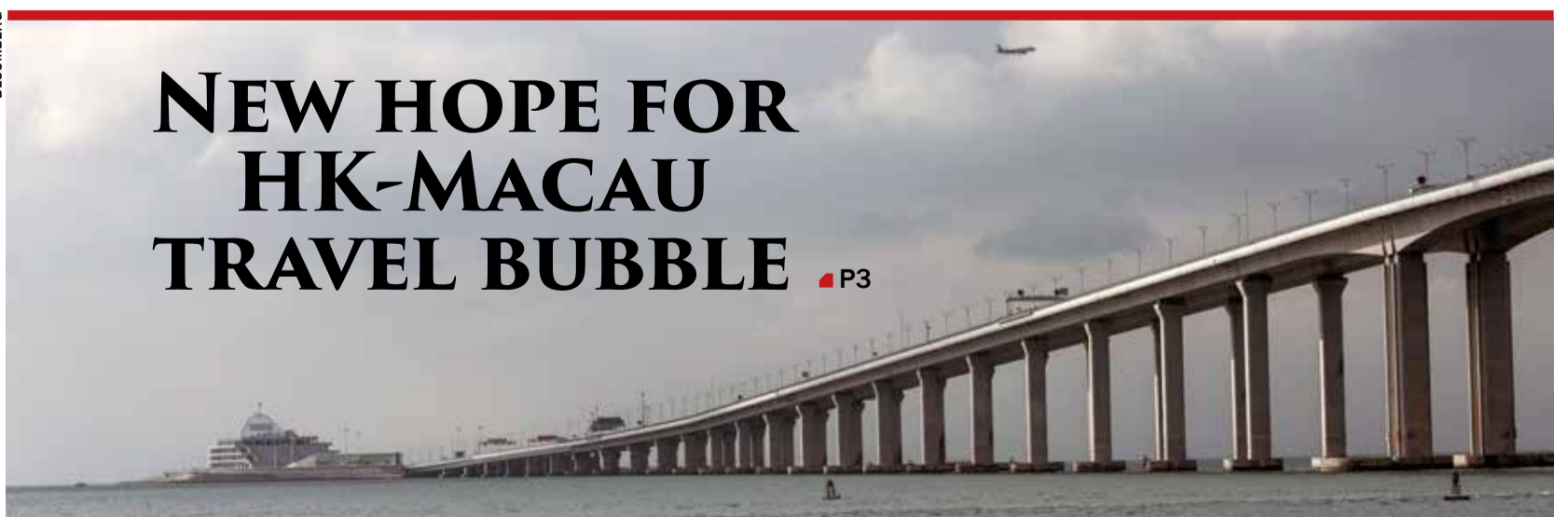


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### PJ REPORTS ANOTHER SIX CASES OF CREDIT CARD FRAUD

The Judiciary Police (PJ) informed yesterday that over the weekend (June 25-27), they received another six complaints regarding the unlawful use of credit cards by third parties. The incidence of this type of crime has grown significantly over the past year, especially in the last few months, with new cases reported almost every day. The stolen data from credit cards is used to perform online transactions such as the acquisition of goods and services in foreign countries. In these latest six cases, the PJ says that the victims have reportedly had transactions totaling 60,000 patacas, with the transactions ranging in between 2,000 to 21,000 patacas, fraudulently charged to their cards.

### "HUSH!" CONCERTS POSTPONED

The "hush! Summer Concerts," initially scheduled for July, have been postponed in light of the impact of the pandemic, the Cultural Affairs Bureau (IC) announced in a statement. Further information will be announced in due course. Nevertheless, registrations for the short video competition "hush! 300 Seconds" remain open until July 5. The IC said that it continues to monitor the progression of the epidemic and will implement appropriate measures for cultural activities.



## PEOPLE WITH FIRST SHOT TO BE GRANTED EXTENDED COVID-19 TEST VALIDITY

HONEY TSANG

AS Covid-19 cases subside in Guangdong province, individuals who have received their first Covid-19 vaccine are expected to enjoy relaxed cross-border travel regulations, with the validity period for their certificates of a negative Covid-19 test result extended.

Tai Wa Hou, coordinator of the Health Bureau's Covid-19 vaccination operation, revealed the plan at yesterday's Covid-19 briefing where he disclosed that Macau and Guangdong authorities have already exchanged views on the proposed scheme.

"The initial consensus [reached by authorities of both sides] is that people who have received at least one jab can be granted an extended valid period on their Covid-19 test," he confirmed.

However, authorities have not outlined the specifics as to how many extra days test results may stay effective for travel purposes. The exact length of the extension will be announced after the authorities conclude technical discussions, he added.

This travel facilitation scheme was first floated by the government on June 24.

Tai stressed that the outbreak

in Guangdong province prompted the Macau government to lift the previously enforced cross-border regulations, reducing the validity period for ne-

gative SARS-CoV-2 polymerase chain reaction (PCR) test results from seven to two days for arrivals entering Macau from Guangdong province.

### NO VACCINE LIST FOR FOREIGN ARRIVALS YET

The Macau government has not yet created a list of approved vaccines which would enable foreigners who have received the relevant shots to enter Macau without the need to undergo quarantine.

When asked by the media about the likelihood of this policy, Tai said that there has no "favorable condition" yet for that to be realized, considering the global pandemic situation is still unstable.

He reaffirmed his confidence in the inactivated vaccine developed by China's state-owned pharmaceutical company Sinopharm Group, especially after the vaccine was granted emergency usage approval by the World Health Organization.

### ONE-STOP PROCEDURE FOR AIRPORT ARRIVALS

IN anticipation of an influx of returnees during the summer holiday, the government has enacted a one-stop arrival procedure for those who return to Macau via the airport. From June 26, all arrivals at the airport, along with their belongings, are being transported directly to an unused zone at Pac On terminal to

undergo a set of required procedures, which include ID checks and Covid-19 tests, before being admitted to the quarantine facilities. The arrivals will be sent to quarantine hotels after receiving a negative test result. The one-stop system is intended to shorten the waiting time for the arrivals.

## NEW HOPE FOR HK-MACAU TRAVEL BUBBLE

TAI Wa Hou, coordinator of the Health Bureau's Covid-19 vaccination operation yesterday hinted that the Hong Kong-Macau travel bubble may resume, even without the need for Hong Kong to register no local cases for 28 consecutive days.

The prerequisite for the re-opening of the travel bubble is the existence of scientific evidence to prove Hong Kong's recent confirmed cases are imported and there is no contagion risk in the community.

On June 23, Hong Kong recorded a confirmed Covid-19 case which brought the city's 16-day record of zero local cases to an abrupt end.

This patient, who had the Delta variant, is a 27-year-old man who is a staff member at the Hong Kong airport. It was determined that he had been present around the airport's sample collection center when two arrivals with an identical viral footprint were recorded earlier in June.

On June 27, a second local Delta variant case

— a 24-year-old woman who is a colleague of the first Delta patient — was detected in Hong Kong.

Currently, authorities of the two cities are engaging in discussions on how to assess the "28 days" requirement which could reinstate the inter-city quarantine-free travel flow for vaccinated persons, Tai confirmed.

If these two cases are confirmed to pose no contagion risk to Hong Kong's public, the authorities will announce more details at an opportune time. HT

## WELLNESS AND YOGA RETREAT TO PAMPER TIRED SOULS IN JULY

HONEY TSANG

YOGA and wellness retreat to help locals and travelers reorient themselves during today's tumultuous times is slated to take place from July 2 to 4 at The Macau Roosevelt.

The event will be mounted amidst surging global demand for wellness travel as health has become central to everyday lifestyles.

The objective of the three-day event, named The Summer Wellness and Yoga Retreat, is to help people enhance their physical and mental well-being, the orga-

nizers stated.

"We are very fortunate that, despite this new reality, here in Macau we can still maintain social activity. We decided to create this retreat so that participants may actually slow down, renew and restore without having to leave the city," said Sandi Manhão, one of the two event organizers. Manhão is also a fitness instructor and wellness advisor.

A variety of yoga and meditation sessions, which incorporate various yoga styles such as swimming pool yoga, breathing exercises, sound baths and nutrition

workshops will be available across the three days.

"This eclectic mix of programs was planned to answer people's wellness wishes and fulfill the need to take a break from daily routine," said the other organizer, Margarida Luz, who is also a yoga instructor.

"We want to offer new experiences and inspire new habits. Our wish is that the participants return home rejuvenated and happier," Luz added.

The package cost ranges from MOP2,355 to MOP4,150. Each package includes hotel accommodation.

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# Macau should build on President Xi's diplomacy to thrive: Liu Xianfa

HONEY TSANG

**T**O celebrate the Chinese Communist Party's (CCP) centenary, The Office of the Commissioner of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of China in the Macau Special Administrative Region hosted a seminar yesterday to raise awareness of President Xi Jinping's diplomatic propositions amongst Macau's residents.

In his opening speech, Commissioner Liu Xianfa affirmed that Xi's diplomatic philosophy, put forward in the 18th CCP National Congress, has carved out a "remarkable new diplomatic concept and achieved historical success."

Under the nation's overarching diplomatic policy, Macau-related diplomatic policies have flourished, creating a favorable climate for the implementation of 'One country, two systems' in Macau, Liu stated.

He further suggested Macau continue to firmly enforce the principle of "patriots governing



Liu Xianfa (left) and André Cheong

Macau" to safeguard national security and further accelerate the city's prosperity and stability.

In alignment with the nation's 14th Five-year Plan, promulgated in this year's Two Session as well as in the Belt and Road Initiative, Liu encouraged Macau to "cul-

tivate new edges and attain new progression." The Commissioner noted that enacting this approach would be in line with China's new development philosophy.

The 14th Five-year Plan notes that this year is the 100th anniversary of the establishment of

the CCP, marking the outset of the nation's path to constructing a modern socialist China.

Secretary for Administration and Justice Cheong Weng Chon also delivered a speech at yesterday's seminar. In it, he expressed his gratitude for the seminar whi-

ch, he stressed, is influential in helping the locals understand the fundamental principles underlying Xi's diplomatic philosophy.

"In the face of ever-changing international situations, President Xi Jinping precisely grasps China's historical position and global development trends in the new era. He proposed a set of new concepts, propositions and proposals, which provide profound answers to China's diplomacy in the new stage," Cheong stated.

He added that the ideas introduced by Xi's policy—which include building a community with a shared future for mankind, forging collaboration-oriented international relations and promoting equal treatment for all—are of great importance.

As an international city, Macau has been a crucial bridge connecting China and foreign countries in history. When faced with unprecedented changes across the past century, Macau should look to Xi's diplomacy doctrines for guidance, Cheong stressed.

Meanwhile, the city should further consolidate its status as a World Centre of Tourism and Leisure from a "broadened international perspective," and help strengthen the ties between China and Portuguese-speaking countries to develop a stronger rapport with foreign countries and regions.

## LOCAL RESIDENTS URGE TAIWAN TO STOP 'SHELTERING CRIMINALS'

**A** group of local residents has submitted a petition to the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Macau alleging that Taipei has been sheltering criminals and interfering with Macau and Hong Kong affairs.

Officials accepted the letter and noted that the Office will follow up the relevant complaints received in Macau.

One of the participants, a local man surnamed Lok, told the press that the aim of publicly submitting the letter was to express their complaints, among which is a call for the Taiwan government to stop interfering with affairs concerning Macau and Hong Kong.

Lok said that he recently learned from media reports that "some criminals who participated in the riots triggered by the anti-law amendment protests in Hong Kong had fled to Taiwan, and Taipei are giving them shelter."



Lok further expressed his belief that Taiwan, similar to Macau and Hong Kong, is "an inalienable part of the People's Republic of China." He added that the Taiwanese administration has not accepted the 1992 Consensus, which, in his opinion, has complicated normal interactions between residents from all sides of the Taiwan Strait. He stressed that this has hurt the interests of all Chinese citizens, including Taiwanese people.

He additionally expressed discontent about "Taiwan allegedly provi-

ding assistance to Hong Kong rioters fleeing Hong Kong and sheltering them." In his opinion, this constitutes interference with Macau and Hong Kong affairs, and damages the prosperity and stability of Macau and Hong Kong and the 'One country, two systems' principle.

He urged Taipei to "rein in at the brink of the precipice" and immediately stop their activities.

Prior to the conclusion of the event, he added that he was also unhappy about Taiwan not accepting Chinese vaccines. **AL**

## ELECTIONS 2021

### GAMBLING WORKER ADVOCATE CLOEE CHAO SUBMITS CANDIDATE LIST

**Y**ESTERDAY, Cloee Chao, an advocate for worker rights in the gambling industry, submitted her list of candidates for this year's Legislative Assembly election.

Her team will run under the list named Gambling New Macau.

The list includes eight candidates, with Chao first, years-long comrade Lei Man Chao second, followed by Leong U Kan, Chao U, Ao In, Kuok Kit I, Wu Hang Kun and Chao Kim Kuong. All are either current or retired gambling industry workers.

Speaking with the press, Chao, who is no stranger to contesting the parliamentary election, admitted that she has felt greater pressure this year.

In the 2017 election, she debuted as the first candidate on the list called Top Frontier of Gambling Industry Workers, receiving slightly more than 3,100 votes. However, this did



not win her a seat in the parliament.

In spite of the pressure, the worker rights advocate pledged that the team would try its best to get a seat.

Chao said that the absence of casino bosses in this election would not benefit her team, because "the votes for bosses and workers are from voters with different stances." As a result, her team will remain firm in its desire to safeguard worker rights.

This year, no casino bosses are running in the direct election constituen-

cy, although it is rumored that SJM boss Angela Leong will be running in the indirect election constituency.

Chao admitted that the team has felt pressure to withdraw from the election, but they resisted it as they consider electoral freedom and fairness key to society.

Previously, another list connected to the gambling industry withdrew during the nomination phase of the election. Its representative refrained from comment on the subject. **AL**



CRIME

# SHOP OWNER DETAINED OVER HKD2 MILLION BOUNCED CHEQUE

RENATO MARQUES

A 59-year-old local man, the owner of an eatery located in the ZAPE area, has been detained by the Judiciary Police (PJ) for having issued a HKD2 million bank cheque from an account that did not have sufficient funds, a PJ spokesperson announced yesterday during the regular police forces press conference.

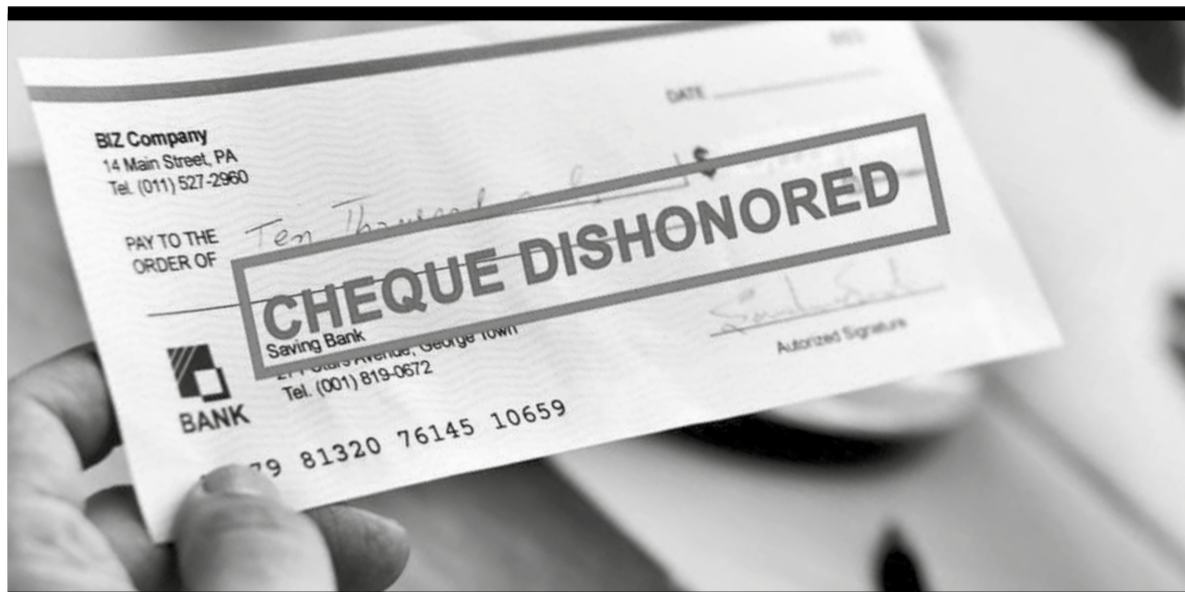
According to the PJ, the case dates back to early 2020, when the man borrowed HKD2 million from a friend after experiencing unexpected difficulties.

At the time, he promised to return the money within three months but as time passed, he kept making excuses to delay the repayment.

In September 2020, the man who lent him the money went to his eatery and requested the repayment of the HKD2 million.

The suspect then agreed to give him a bank cheque for the full amount with the condition that he would date it December 30.

In early January this year, the victim unintentionally passed by the street where the eatery was once located and realized that the shop was now closed and empty.



The next day, he attempted to bank the cheque, but the bank dishonored the cheque for a supposed lack of funds.

A complaint was consequently filed with the PJ for the criminal offense of issuing a dishonored cheque.

On June 25, the suspect was detained by the Public Security Police Force while attempting to leave Macau at the Border Gate checkpoint. He was then handed over to the PJ for further investigation.

Under questioning from the PJ, he admitted to having issued a cheque from a bank account that had insufficient funds, claiming that he did so in an attempt to buy himself some time so as to obtain the money that he owed. However, he was unable to do so.

He was presented to the Public Prosecutions Office on June 26 to be charged with the crime of issuing a dishonored cheque.

## DOMESTIC HELPER CAUGHT AFTER PAWNING EMPLOYERS' JEWELRY

A 38-year-old woman from Indonesia, working as a domestic helper in the home of a local family, has been arrested by the Judiciary Police (PJ) for having pawned or sold a significant number of jewelry items stolen from her employers, PJ informed yesterday.

The case was first discovered on June 25 when the couple that employed the suspect conducted some cleaning around their house and realized that a large number of jewelry items, normally kept in a specific bag, were missing.

They immediately suspected the helper and filed a complaint to the PJ.

After investigation, the suspect admitted to the PJ that she took several pieces of jewelry from her employers' home as well as from the house of her employer's elderly father, where she would occasionally go to clean.

The PJ found that she had pawned various pieces of jewelry in local pawnshops on at least 36 different occasions over the last year.

The woman told the PJ that she transferred the money she made from pawning the jewel-

ry to a bank account in Indonesia.

She also admitted to having acquired cheap items that looked similar to some of the stolen pieces which she mixed alongside the rest of the jewelry in an attempt to conceal her theft.

According to the PJ, the stolen items were valued at about 200,000 patacas in total. Of this, 120,000 patacas account for the pieces stolen at her employers' home and 80,000 patacas from the employer's father's house.

The PJ found 11 of the jewelry items in local pawnshops. **RM**

## GOV'T SAYS IT WILL CONSIDER OPINIONS ON PENHA HILL VISUAL CORRIDOR

THE government says it will take into account both public opinion and the views of the members of the Urban Planning Committee (CPU) on the Urban Master Plan in maintaining a visual corridor between Penha Hill and shoreline areas.

This information was disclosed in a reply from the Land, Public Works and Transport Bureau (DS-SOPT) director, Chan Pou Ha, to a written inquiry from lawmaker Sulu Sou on the matter.

In the reply, Chan reaffirmed that the opinions and suggestions of residents "will be further analyzed, together with the opinions of the members of the Urban Planning Committee and taken into consideration in the subsequent phase of the elaboration of the detailed plans, aiming to the safeguarding of the historical



landscape in question."

The DSSOPT director added that, to preserve the Historic Center of Macau and the unique landscape consisting of hills, sea and city, the public consultation document of the Urban Master Plan proposed that "the height of the buildings to be built in the future does

not exceed 62.7 meters, [a height] that corresponds to the altitude of the top of the Penha Hill." Chan also noted that "the buildings to be built in the coastal areas are [to be] of successively lower height, revealing the characteristic panorama of the city, that is, in an amphitheater shape." **RM**

## PATA MACAU CHAPTER ELECTS NEW MANAGEMENT

THE Pacific Asia Travel Association's (PATA) Macau Chapter has elected its new management for the next term at a recent General Assembly meeting.

In the coming two years, the entity will be headed on a daily basis by the representatives from the Macau University of Science and Technology, who have been elected as the director-general of the PATA Macau Chapter.

Meanwhile, Macau International Airport Co. Ltd. will be the deputy director-general, while the Macao Government Tourism Office (MGTO) is the Secretary of the Board of Directors.

Hotel Royal will lead the General Assembly of the entity as president. Air Macau will be the vice-president, and Cotai Travel the Secretary.

The Venetian Macao



will be the Treasurer for the next two years. Shun Tak - China Travel Shipping Investments Limited will be the Supervisor-General, the Macao Institute for Tourism Studies is the deputy supervisor-general, and MGM Macau is the secretary of the Board of Supervisors.

At the meeting, Jocelyn Wong, executive director

and deputy general manager of Hotel Royal and outgoing president of the PATA Macau Chapter, expressed her belief that despite the impacts of the Covid-19 pandemic, the entity will continue to, under the leadership of the MGTO and its members, make contributions for and to the tourism industry of Macau. **AL**



# Group submits letter to authority calling to cut blue cards

**A**PPROXIMATELY 30 furloughed members of local lobby group Macau People Power submitted yesterday a letter to the Labor Affairs Bureau (DSAL) requesting that the authority reduce the number of non-resident workers in Macau.

Group president Iam Weng Hong said that the group received a significant amount of feedback that local laborers are feeling the effects of the Covid-19 pandemic, leaving them either unemployed or forced to take unpaid leave.

In response to the situation, he requested that the government take this chance to enact tight management of the number of non-resident workers in the city, by which he meant cutting the number of such workers allowed in Macau.

Iam said that he viewed this solution as a way to streamline the local employment market, freeing up work vacancies for local residents who are unemployed or underemployed.



He added that a lot of university graduates were still searching for jobs, many of whom had graduated some time ago, and requested the government's attention to this issue as well.

Recruitment agencies previously told the Times that new graduates are now facing an even tougher time in seeking employment compared to last year, despite the positive projection for the city's current

economy and the large number of positions available at university job fairs.

Meanwhile, Iam pointed out that the local minimum wage is MOP32 per hour or MOP6,650 per month which, in his opinion, is not enough to support a normal lifestyle in Macau. Consequently, he requested the government raise the minimum wage level to MOP36 per hour.

A participant in the delivery

of the letter said that she was dismissed by her employer in January this year and claimed that she could not get a new job even after attending "20 job-matching sessions" held by the DSAL. As a mother of two, she said, in order to maintain an "acceptable lifestyle" she needs a job that pays at least MOP20,000 per month.

Last week, lawmaker José Pereira Coutinho urged DSAL to probe into the case of the University of Saint Joseph (USJ) to ensure that the number of hired foreigners in the USJ does not exceed the limit required by the law.

This comes after the alleged firing of nine professors "without justifiable cause."

Also last week, a group of lawmakers has called on the government to enforce more measures to protect the employment of local residents.

The unemployment rate of local residents stood at 4.1% for the three-month period of March to May this year. **AL**

## DSAL TO START 'INITIAL TRAINING PLAN' IN AUGUST

The "Initial Training Plan" for younger citizens, organized by the Labour Affairs Bureau (DSAL) is accepting applications from June 28 until July 17, according to an announcement from DSAL. The program which will offer approximately five months of day courses will begin in August. These courses are for young people aged 24 years or younger, and some courses have academic entry requirements, the announcement read. The bureau said that the program aimed to equip young people with relevant professional skills in a short period of time, making it easier for them to adapt to the job market.

## SECOND PHASE OF 'STAY, DINE & SEE MACAO SEES 10,000 APPLICATIONS

So far, about 10,000 applications have been received for the second phase of the "Stay, Dine and See Macao" program, and over 10,000 hotel packages have been sold. According to Maria Helena de Senna Fernandes, director of the Macau Government Tourism Office, the bureau will consider increasing the number of places on popular tour routes in response to actual demand. In view of the high demand in July and August, the director said that the bureau will review the tours and examine whether new routes and elements can be added in September.

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# EDITORIAL WRITER ARRESTED AT HONG KONG'S AIRPORT

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An editorial writer of the now-defunct Hong Kong pro-democracy newspaper Apple Daily was arrested at the airport on Sunday night while attempting to leave the city, local media reported.

Local newspaper South China Morning Post and online news outlet Citizen News cited unidentified sources saying that editorial writer Fung Wai-kong was arrested on suspicion of foreign collusion to endanger national security.

Fung was believed to be leaving for Britain when he was arrested, local media reported. Police said they arrested a 57-year-old man at the airport Sunday night under the national security law, but did not identify him.

He is the second editorial writer at Apple Daily to be arrested, and the seventh person to be arrested at the paper in two weeks. So far, the seven arrested are either journalists



or executives of Apple Daily, as Hong Kong authorities crack down on dissent in the semi-autonomous city, arresting most of the city's prominent pro-democracy figures and revamping Hong Kong's election laws to keep opposition voices out of the legislature.

The Hong Kong Journalists Association condemned the police for targeting journalists.

"The HKJA reiterates that

freedom of speech and freedom of the press are core values of Hong Kong," it said in a statement. "If even the writing of the literati cannot be tolerated, it will be difficult for Hong Kong to be regarded as an international city."

Fung's arrest also comes as pro-democracy online news outlet Stand News said in a statement that it would remove commentaries published

on its site before June and halt its fundraising efforts because of concerns over the sweeping national security law.

The measures were taken to protect the news outlet's supporters, writers and editorial staffers in the "literary inquisition" of Hong Kong, Stand News said in a statement.

Despite the precautionary measures taken, Stand News pledged to keep reporting the news.

"In the past six and a half years, the Stand News team has been through trials and hardships with the people of Hong Kong, cherishing each other and weaving the common

memory of Hong Kong's survival," it said in a statement. "To pass on these memories, we will stick to our posts, walk with the people of Hong Kong [...] and write and record the news and happenings in Hong Kong."

The online news platform also said it would stop taking money from subscribers and donors and stop accepting new subscriptions to prevent the risk of money going to waste.

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Under the national security law, assets can be frozen if authorities believe the money is linked to a related crime.

Earlier this month, authorities froze \$2.3 million worth of assets linked to the Apple Daily newspaper. Last week, Apple Daily

printed its final edition and ceased operations, citing employee safety and an inability to pay wages. MDT/AP

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**C**HINA is marking the centenary of its ruling Communist Party this week by heralding what it says is its growing influence abroad, along with success in battling corruption at home.

Party officials on yesterday heaped praise on President Xi Jinping, who has established himself as China's most powerful leader since Mao Zedong, and has eliminated any limits on his term in office.

China has seen huge improvements in living standards over the past four decades, accompanied by rising international economic and political heft.

Yet, while many countries have benefited from that relationship, China is also seen eroding democracy and human rights in nations over which it holds economic sway.

"The Chinese Communist Party's international influence, appeal and attraction have continually increased, placing it at the forefront of world politics," Guo Yezhou, deputy head of the party's external liaison department told reporters at a news conference held at the opening of a media center for the centenary celebrations.

With 92 million members and a solid lock on power at home, the party has sought to expand its control over Chinese who have moved abroad for study, business or other reasons. That has created multiple sources of friction, particularly in Australia, where Chinese students are prominent on university campuses, as well as in the

# Marking centenary, China heralds Communist Party's influence



U.S., the U.K. and other Western democracies.

Those nations are tightly interlocked with the Chinese economy, while standing at odds with Beijing's authoritarian political ideology and its policies toward Hong Kong, Xinjiang and Tibet.

Guo made no reference to such concerns, saying the party's out-

reach was a key component of China's foreign policy.

"This outpoints the party's strategic function," Guo said.

Xi has made fighting corruption — and ensuring political loyalty — a hallmark of his nine years in office. Nearly 800,000 officials have been investigated for malfeasance under Xi's rule, including 392 at or above provincial

or ministerial level, said Xiao Pei, deputy head of the party's corruption watchdog body, the Central Commission for Disciplinary Inspection.

"The struggle against corruption has attained total success and been deeply ingrained," Xiao said at yesterday's news conference.

Among those attending commemorative events is Hong Kong's

leader Carrie Lam, who has been leading a crackdown on opposition figures that has drawn strong criticism and legal sanctions from the U.S., Canada and the European Union.

Lam and the central government in Beijing have dismissed those measures as interference in China's internal affairs.

Xi is scheduled to confer medals and speak at an award ceremony for party heroes Tuesday, as well as presiding over Thursday's centenary celebration at Tiananmen Square in the center of Beijing. In his public addresses, Xi has reinforced the party's goal of achieving "national rejuvenation," more than 70 years after it took power amid civil war.

That includes bringing the self-governing island democracy of Taiwan under China's control, raising the prospect of a regional war that would likely draw in the U.S. and its allies. Under Xi, China has also built up its military presence in the South China Sea and engaged in skirmishes with the Indian military along their disputed border.

A fireworks display at the Olympic stadium known as the Bird's Nest is planned for Monday as well as a range of celebratory events across the country. **MDT/AP**

## Blinken meets Pope Francis, gets VIP tour of Sistine Chapel

FRANCE D'EMILIO,  
VATICAN CITY

**U**.S. Secretary of State Antony Blinken yesterday received VIP treatment at the Vatican, getting a private tour of the Sistine Chapel before he sat down for closed-door talks with Pope Francis.

Blinken was the first high-level official of President Joe Biden's administration to have a private audience with the pontiff.

There was no immediate details from either side about the discussions in the Apostolic Palace.

Last year, when Blinken's predecessor, Mike Pompeo, came to the Vatican, he wasn't granted private time with Francis. At the time, Vatican officials said that was because the Holy See didn't want to give any impression of favoritism only weeks before the U.S. presidential election that brought Biden to power.



But China was a thorny issue between both sides. Pompeo had undiplomatically blasted the Vatican for what he said was a lessening of its moral authority by signing an accord with Beijing over the nominations of Chinese bishops. Pompeo called on the Holy See to take a

tougher stand against Chinese restrictions on religious freedom.

Biden, for his part, has criticized China for forced labor practices. Francis has championed human rights in many countries as part of his determination to draw attention to people's suffering.

But as the bishops' agreement indicates, Francis is also intent on improving conditions for the Catholic church in China. But some in his own church have expressed dismay that Francis hasn't taken a harder stance on Chinese authorities' longtime discrimination

against Catholics loyal to the pontiff.

On Monday, Blinken also met with the Holy See's No. 2, Cardinal Pie-

**Pompeo called on the Holy See to take a tougher stand against Chinese restrictions on religious freedom**

tro Parolin, who is the Vatican's secretary of state, and with Archbishop Paul Gallagher, its foreign minister.

Visitors to the Sistine

Chapel, with its ceiling frescoed by Michelangelo and a 30-by-60-foot wall painting, "Last Judgment," by the Renaissance master almost always emerge wowed.

Blinken appeared to be no exception after his short, guided tour to the chapel where popes are elected in secret conclave before he was escorted to his series of meetings in the Palace.

"Mr. Secretary, pretty impressive?" a reporter asked as the U.S. official ended the cultural part of his visit. Blinken nodded and gestured around the cavernous space.

Blinken is visiting Rome before flying to southern Italy for Tuesday's Group of 20 meeting of foreign ministers, which is focused on improving collaboration among nations on climate change, health issues and development. **MDT/AP**





Michelle Bachelet, the U.N. High Commissioner for Human Rights

# UN: Reparations needed for people facing racism

JAMEY KEATEN, GENEVA

**T**HE U.N. human rights chief, in a landmark report launched after the killing of George Floyd in the United States, is urging countries worldwide to do more to help end discrimination, violence and systemic racism against people of African descent and “make amends” to them — including through reparations.

The report from Michelle Bachelet, the U.N. High Commissioner for Human Rights, offers a sweeping look at the roots of centuries of mistreatment faced by Africans and people of African descent, notably from the transatlantic slave trade. It seeks a “transformative” approach to address its continued impact today.

The report, a year in the making, hopes to build on momentum around the recent, intensified scrutiny worldwide about the blight of racism and its impact on people of African descent as epitomized by the high-profile killings of unarmed Black people in the United States and elsewhere.

“There is today a momentous opportunity to achieve a turning point for racial equality and justice,” the report said.

The report aims to speed

up action by countries to end racial injustice; end impunity for rights violations by police; ensure that people of African descent and those who speak out against racism are heard; and face up to past wrongs through accountability and redress.

“I am calling on all states to stop denying — and start dismantling — racism; to end impunity and build trust; to listen to the voices of people of African descent; and to confront past legacies and deliver redress,” Bachelet said in a video statement.

## The U.N.-backed Human Rights Council commissioned the report during a special session last year following the murder of Floyd

While broaching the issue of reparation in her most explicit way yet, Bachelet suggested that monetary compensation alone is not enough and would be part of an array of measures to help rectify or make up for the injustices.

“Reparations should not only be equated with financial compensation,”

she wrote, adding that it should include restitution, rehabilitation, acknowledgement of injustices, apologies, memorialization, educational reforms and “guarantees” that such injustices won’t happen again.

The U.N.-backed Human Rights Council commissioned the report during a special session last year following the murder of Floyd, a Black American who was killed by a white police officer in Minneapolis in May 2020. The officer, Derek Chauvin, was sentenced to 22-1/2 years in prison last week.

Protests erupted after excruciating bystander video showed how Floyd gasped repeatedly, “I can’t breathe!” as onlookers yelled at Chauvin to stop pressing his knee on Floyd’s neck.

The protests against Floyd’s killing and the “momentous” verdict against Chauvin are a “seminal point in the fight against racism,” the report said.

The report was based on discussions with more than 340 people — mostly of African descent — and experts; more than 100 contributions in writing, including from governments; and review of public material, the rights office said.

It analyzed 190 deaths,

mostly in the U.S., to show how law enforcement officers are rarely held accountable for rights violations and crimes against people of African descent, and it noted similar patterns of mistreatment by police across many countries.

The report ultimately aims to transform those opportunities into a more systemic response by governments to address racism, and not just in the United States — although the injustices and legacy of slavery, racism and violence faced by African Americans was clearly a major theme.

The report also laid out cases, concerns and the situation in roughly 60 countries including Belgium, Brazil, Britain, Canada, Colombia and France, among others.

“We could not find a single example of a state that has fully reckoned with the past or comprehensively accounted for the impacts of the lives of people of African descent today,” Mona Rishmawi, who leads a unit on non-discrimination at the U.N. human rights office, told a news conference. “Our message, therefore, is that this situation is untenable.”

Compensation should be considered at the “collective and the individual level,” she said, while adding that any such process “starts with acknowledgment” of past wrongs and “it’s not one-size-fits-all.” She said countries must look at their own pasts and practices to assess how to proceed.

The U.N. report called on countries to make “amends for centuries of violence and discrimination” such as through “formal acknowledgment and apologies, truth-telling processes and reparations in various forms.”

It also decried the “dehumanization of people of African descent” that was “rooted in false social constructions of race” in the past to justify enslavement, racial stereotypes and harmful practices as well as tolerance for racial discrimination, inequality and violence.

It cited inequalities faced by people of African descent and the “stark socioeconomic and political marginalization” they face in many countries, including unfair access to education, health care, jobs, housing and clean water. **MDT/AP**

## this day in history

### 2001 DIANA FOUNTAIN GIVEN GO-AHEAD



A memorial in honour of Diana, Princess of Wales, is to be built in London’s Hyde Park, the government has announced.

The £3m fountain will be built on the site of a derelict pump house and chlorination plant on the banks of the Serpentine - the 40-acre artificial lake in the royal park.

The princess, who would have been 40 this year, was killed in a high-speed car crash in Paris almost four years ago.

Teams of architects will now be invited to tender designs for the memorial, which will be paid for by public funds.

Diana’s brother, Earl Spencer, has given his blessing to the project, and Prince Charles and his two sons are also understood to be happy with the plans.

Her friend, Rosa Monckton, said the princess used to run and walk along the banks of the lake and would have been very happy with the location.

Ms Monckton also told the BBC why the Diana Memorial Committee had decided against commissioning a statue.

“One could never have captured her in stone... I think the playfulness and movement of water is probably the best way to capture her rather extraordinary spirit,” she said.

It is expected the fountain will be completed in two years.

Courtesy BBC News

## IN CONTEXT

The design competition was launched in September 2001 and a shortlist was chosen two months later.

The committee ended up deadlocked over the modernist design submitted by Bombay-born British artist Anish Kapoor and the more “restrained” plan by American landscape architect Kathryn Gustafson.

The final decision was taken by Culture Secretary Tessa Jowell, who announced in July 2002 the Gustafson proposal, incorporating a 50 x 80 m ring of water, had been chosen.

The £5.2m monument first opened in July 2004 - £2.2m over budget. It closed within two weeks after three members of the public slipped and injured themselves whilst paddling.

It re-opened in May 2005. The Royal Parks Agency, which manages the fountain, now pays £250,000 a year to maintain the site.



MACAU'S LEADING NEWSPAPER

**YOUR STARS**

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**Mar. 21-Apr. 19**  
 Commerce is not an ideal thing to be involved in right now, especially if you are interested in selling some of your possessions. Your personal goods will not move as quickly as you think.

**TAURUS**  
**Apr. 20-May. 20**  
 There's no going back on this so you will have to summon up your positive attitude once again. Delegating responsibilities will be the best way for you to get through this.

**GEMINI**  
**May. 21-Jun. 21**  
 A gift you're given today will require you to call upon all your hidden stores of tolerance. This generous present might not be quite your style, but maybe it is time for you to expand your tastes.

**CANCER**  
**Jun. 22-Jul. 22**  
 More than ever, your friends and family are providing you with the inspiration you need to keep yourself motivated and energized. It's time you thanked them all for their support and devotion.

**LEO**  
**Jul. 23-Aug. 22**  
 Red tape is sticky stuff, so if you are in the midst of dealing with any type of bureaucracy, beware: You could get stuck in the system. Diligence is your best bet, so keep calling the numbers you have...

**VIRGO**  
**Aug. 23-Sep. 22**  
 Give up a little bit of free time today so you can go full steam ahead - this day could bring the completion you've been working so hard for. Plan a sweet and intimate celebration for tonight.

**LIBRA**  
**Sep. 23-Oct. 22**  
 Use your tact and charm to get them to re-evaluate their suggestion. Then help them fine-tune it so that it resembles something that can actually come into being.

**SCORPIO**  
**Oct. 23-Nov. 21**  
 Why limit yourself? Today offers wonderful experiences for every one of your senses - including your sixth. Take full advantage of every opportunity and keep your eyes and ears wide open.

**SAGITTARIUS**  
**Nov. 22-Dec. 21**  
 Another law you should obey is the fact that the more effort you put in, the more rewards you reap - so you may have to trim down your lunch hour if you want to get stuff done!

**CAPRICORN**  
**Dec. 22-Jan. 19**  
 Whether or not you are looking for a new romance won't matter to someone who is trying to turn your head. That's why you will have to stay consistent in your reaction to their flattery today.

**AQUARIUS**  
**Jan. 20-Feb. 18**  
 The only way that can possibly happen is if you find some silver lining in that cloud. Move forward, and leave the wrongdoers in your past where they belong.

**PISCES**  
**Feb. 19-Mar. 20**  
 As focused as a laser, your vision will be directed solely at one goal. But to make real progress, try the indirect approach. If it's a romantic objective, be sure not to come on too strong.

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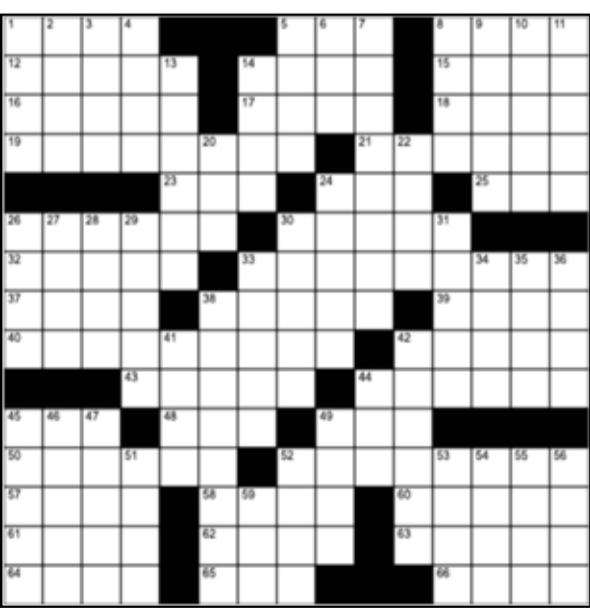
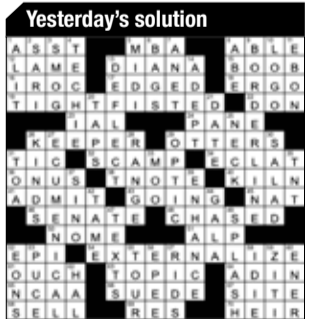
**WEATHER**

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Harbin	18	26	thunderstorms
Tianjin	25	29	rain
Urumqi	24	30	showers
Xi'an	25	30	rain
Lhasa	20	26	cloudy
Chengdu	27	29	rain
Chongqing	26	32	rain
Kunming	26	30	rain
Nanjing	21	25	rain
Shanghai	28	37	cloudy
Wuhan	24	31	cloudy
Hangzhou	19	28	thunderstorms
Taipei	22	32	cloudy
Guangzhou	19	31	fine
Hong Kong	24	29	rain
<b>WORLD</b>			
Moscow	13	18	moderate rain
Frankfurt	16	26	drizzle
Paris	14	21	cloudy
London	12	21	drizzle
New York	21	28	cloudy

**CROSSWORDS**

ACROSS 1- Baby powder; 5- Spider's creation; 8- Give the eye; 12- Separated; 14- Melt together; 15- Entre \_\_\_; 16- Book after Jonah; 17- In the Black?; 18- Swabbies; 19- Remittances; 21- System of social perfection; 23- Fish eggs; 24- Loss leader?; 25- Dreyer's partner in ice cream; 26- Drinking spree; 30- Eject; 32- Reserved; 33- Artisan; 37- Biblical birthright seller; 38- Crackers; 39- Monetary unit of Nigeria; 40- Dutch painter; 42- Greeting; 43- Hint; 44- Saturated; 45- Yes, in Yokohama; 48- Turkish honorific; 49- Sticky substance; 50- Alloy of copper and zinc; 52- Pertaining to ships; 57- Jumps on one leg; 58- Riding; 60- Chew the scenery; 61- Employs; 62- Deities; 63- Blathered; 64- Prefix with drama; 65- Woman created from the rib of Adam; 66- Exec's note;

Down: 1- Pack firmly; 2- Capital city of Western Samoa; 3- Fine and delicate; 4- Burn the midnight oil, studying; 5- Wimp; 6- Wind dir.; 7- Adorn; 8- Not tricked by; 9- Flip out; 10- Sensational; 11- Short literary composition; 13- 1994 Denis Leary comedy; 14- Kismet; 20- Hide-hair link; 22- Sensitivity; 24- \_\_\_-garde; 26- Boxer Max; 27- Different; 28- Linguist Chomsky; 29- Distrust; 30- Eat away at; 31- Expressed disapproval; 33- Line dance; 34- Shape; 35- Competent; 36- High time?; 38- Tongue; 41- Unit of currency in Iran and Yemen; 42- Owl, e.g.; 44- Former coin of France; 45- Dull; 46- "\_\_\_ by any other name..."; 47- Urge forward; 49- Openings; 51- \_\_\_ buco (veal dish); 52- Network point; 53- Muslim leader; 54- Pine fruit; 55- Molecular component; 56- Carson's successor; 59- Mazel \_\_\_!



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STOCKS

# ASIAN MARKETS LOWER AFTER WALL STREET RECOVERS TO NEW HIGH

JOE MCDONALD, BEIJING

ASIAN stock markets declined yesterday after Wall Street hit a new high as investors looked ahead to manufacturing indicators from Japan, China and South Korea.

Shanghai, Tokyo and Seoul declined. Trading in Hong Kong was suspended due to a weather alert.

On Friday, Wall Street's S&P 500 index turned in its biggest weekly gain in four months.

Investors have been encouraged by progress in Washington on an infrastructure spending plan. Markets have recovered from the Federal Reserve's announcement that it might start raising interest rates sooner than expected.

The S&P's gain "is generally telling of improving sentiment," said Mizuho Bank in a report.

The Shanghai Composite Index declined less than 0.1% to 3,606.02 and the Nikkei 225 in Tokyo shed 0.1% to 29,048.02.

The Kospi in Seoul shed 0.2% to 3,296.97 while the ASX-S&P 500 in Sydney slipped less than 0.1% to 7,306.80.

India's Sensex opened down 0.2% at 52,827.02. New Zealand, Bangkok and Jakarta also declined, while Singapore advanced.

Investors are looking ahead to monthly surveys of manufacturing activity in Japan, China and South Korea.

Production is recovering from last year's plunge but faces shortages of processor chips and other disruptions.



Markets have swung between optimism about economic recovery supported by the rollout of coronavirus vaccines and unease that the Fed and other central banks might feel pressure to pull back stimulus to cool rising inflation.

The Fed, which says it believes U.S. price surges are temporary, surprised traders by saying it might start raising rates by late 2023, earlier than the previous 2024 target. Markets sank but have recovered most of their losses.

On Friday, the Commerce Department said one inflation measure closely watched by the Fed increased 0.4% in May and is up 3.9% over the past 12 months, well above the Fed's 2% target.

Also Friday, President Joe Biden and a group of senators agreed on a \$973 billion, five-

-year plan for spending on roads, railways and ports.

On Wall Street, the S&P 500 rose 0.3% to 4,280.70. That gave the index a weekly gain of 2.7%, its biggest since Feb. 5.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average gained 0.7% to 34,433.84 while the Nasdaq Composite lost 0.1% to 14,360.39.

In energy markets, benchmark U.S. crude lost 1 cent to \$74.04 per barrel in electronic trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange. The contract rose 75 cents to \$74.05 a barrel Friday. Brent crude, the basis for international oil prices, shed 10 cents to \$75.28 per barrel in London. It gained 62 cents the previous session to \$76.18.

The dollar fell to 110.62 yen from Friday's 110.84 yen. The euro declined to \$1.1924 from \$1.1932. MDT/AP



AUTOMOBILE

## Tesla to recall 285,000 cars in China and fix cruise control

TESLA is recalling about 285,000 electric vehicles in China because the cruise-control function can be activated accidentally and cause cars to accelerate suddenly, creating a safety hazard, Chinese authorities said Saturday.

In a message to customers on the Chinese social media platform Weibo, Tesla said "there are potential safety hazards in extreme cases."

China's market regulator said the recall covers 211,256 Model 3 sedans and 38,599 Model Y compact crossover utility vehicles that were built in China and 35,665 Model 3s that were imported. The cars were produced between December 2019 and this month.

The regulator said Tesla plans to upgrade cruise-control software on the vehicles remotely, which would save owners the chore of taking their car to a company store. It said Tesla will contact owners whose vehicles can't be fixed remotely.

China's State Administration for Market Regulation said that under certain conditions drivers could accidentally activate cruise control. If the car is traveling slower than the cruise control setting, the car will accelerate "and in extreme cases," could cause a crash.

The regulator said Tesla's Chinese subsidiaries contacted it "a few days ago" to request a recall.

Tesla Inc., based in Palo Alto, California, did not respond to messages seeking comment.

The company has faced previous challenges in China, including accusations of poor treatment of customers. In April, a customer protested at a car show that faulty brakes on her family's Tesla caused a crash that sent her parents to the hospital. After initially blaming the driver, Tesla issued a public apology to the unhappy customer and vowed to learn from the incident. MDT/AP

## CORPORATE BITS

### The Ritz-Carlton Café to present 'Chef's Table Dining Series'



The Ritz-Carlton Café's Chef de Cuisine Jesse Zhao and his team will be taking guests on a 5-course culinary journey as a part of the newly unveiled Chef's Table Dining Series, available every second and

fourth Wednesday of each month starting from July.

The Chef's Table's menu will spotlight one specific theme at a time, selecting the freshest seasonal ingredients as well as day-to-day specialties.

"Guests will embark on a mystery dining experience with no prior knowledge of the menu and progression. This fine twist in the menu subverts expectations set by the a-la-carte menu and standard set menus at The Ritz-Carlton Café," according to a statement.

The Chef's Table Dining Series kicks off under the theme of "Seafood Inspiration," inspired by the diverse range of fresh seafood and fruits found in local markets.

The menu incorporates both locally sourced and imported ingredients while preserving the authenticity of the French flavor through the use of French culinary skills.

### MGM organizes food safety seminar



MGM recently joined hands with Macao Chamber of Commerce to organize the third edition of "MGM SME Seminar - Food Safety", an explanatory session for local small and medium-sized food suppliers to

better understand the latest measures for food safety in Macau.

The heads of Department of Food Safety of the Municipal Affairs Bureau and Risk & Safety Management of MGM were

invited to share with more than 140 participants from SMEs in the fields of catering and food supply, the gaming operator said in a statement.

The seminar was held with the objective of raising overall awareness on the issue of cold-chain food safety in Macau, as well as helping to enhance the service and competitiveness of local SMEs that are crucial for the growth of the industry.

Kenneth Feng, President, Chief Strategic & Financial Officer of MGM, said, "There has been a growing concern over food safety among customers in the midst of the pandemic. As Macau's tourism industry is on the road to recovery, MGM is determined to protect the health and safety of its customers."



# Euro 2020 elimination caps lackluster season for Ronaldo

**C**RISTIANO Ronaldo was slowly walking off the field when Romelu Lukaku came over to give him a hug.

The two embraced for a few moments, with Lukaku speaking into the Portugal great's ear. Ronaldo politely thanked him, but quickly made his way back to the tunnel.

He wasn't in much of a chatting mood.

While Lukaku was moving on to the European Championship quarterfinals with Belgium, Ronaldo was heading home after a disappointing end to his tournament — and to his season.

There was no repeat European title. There was no world scoring record. And there probably won't be a player of the year award, either.

The 36-year-old Ronaldo capped a lackluster season in Portugal's 1-0 loss to Belgium in the round of 16 at Euro 2020 on Sunday.

Even though he scored more than 40 goals with his club and his country, his numbers were far from impressive by his standards. He failed to win the Italian league



with Juventus, where his future remains uncertain with his contract ending next year. His only titles in 2021 came in the Italian Cup and the Italian Super Cup.

Ronaldo got off to a fantastic start at Euro 2020, though, scoring five goals in the first three matches to move level with former Iran striker Ali Daei as the men's all-time top scorer with 109 goals.

If he kept scoring, and if Portugal stayed on track for another title, he could have been back in the conversation for player of the year.

It didn't happen.

Ronaldo threw his captain's armband to the ground after the final whistle against Belgium, then was one of the first to walk off. Portugal had several chances throughout the match at La Cartu-

ja Stadium in Seville, but Ronaldo himself wasn't much of a threat. He had a few chances off free kicks in each half, and with a shot from inside the area near the end of the

match.

Ronaldo was backed by a talented Portugal squad that included Bernardo Silva, Bruno Fernandes and Diogo Jota, among others. But they also faltered in attack on Sunday, and Thorgan Hazard's first-half goal ended up being enough to send Belgium to the quarterfinals.

Portugal lost at the same stage at the 2018 World Cup, two years after winning its first major title at Euro 2016. The team's other triumph was winning the inaugural Nations League in 2019.

"It's a big disappointment for us because we believed we could win, like we did in 2016," Portugal coach Fernando Santos said. "But there are things to look forward to. In 2018, we were eliminated as well but then in 2019 we won the Nations League. Now we will try to win the World Cup (in 2022)."

Ronaldo will be 37 by then, and most likely will already have broken the international scoring record.

For now, he could still take solace from having a chance to finish as the top scorer at Euro 2020. He remains the tournament's leading scorer with five goals, one more than Patrick Schick of the Czech Republic, who has advanced to the quarterfinals. **MDT/AP**

## LATEST RESULTS

Belgium	1	0	Portugal
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## PREVIEW

# Lopsided rivalry: Anguished England take on Germany

**W**HEN you train on the Sir Bobby Charlton Pitch, it's hard escape the burden of past glory.

And when Gareth Southgate is your coach, it's even harder for the England players to escape the anguish that can come from playing Germany at a tournament.

It was Southgate's penalty miss in a shootout against Germany that prevented England from reaching the 1996 European Championship final at the old Wembley Stadium.

There had already been the loss to Germany on penalties at the 1990 World Cup. Twenty years later came more World Cup agony against Germany, laced with the injustice of a wrongly disallowed goal.

No wonder the renewal of the rivalry with Germany on Tuesday in the round of 16 at this year's European Championship is rousing so many memories of past meetings in England.

But it can seem to be a lopsided rivalry.

There's little sense in Germany about righting any wrongs of the past, despite the still inconclusive debate over whether Geoff Hurst's decisive goal really did cross the line before Charlton and Co. lifted the World Cup in 1966 at Wembley. Even though Uwe Seeler did say ahead of Tuesday's 33rd England-Germany match "this wound will always be there" from the 1966 team he captained.

That final produced what remains England's only major international trophy and a reference point in the history of the nation, beyond sports. Germany had already won the World Cup by that point -- in 1954 -- and has won another three titles since then pre- and post-unification. Add a trio of European Championship wins on top of that and you see that Germany has

many glory-filled memories, while England clings to the nostalgia of 1966 and the subsequent heartache often inflicted by its foe.

But it can seem largely former players and fans feeling the weight of history.

"We've got boys born into the 2000s, which is obviously scary," Southgate said. "It's of no consequence to them ... what happened in 1990 and so on. Of course, they're watching that stuff."

Southgate played the squad clips of him missing that penalty in the Euro '96 semifinals when they met up for this European Championship.

Ask many current En-

gland players about their first memories of a match against Germany and it's the 2010 World Cup when Frank Lampard's shot crossed the line but was ruled out, sparking the introduction of goal-line technology.

Thomas Müller scored twice in Germany's eventual 4-1 victory and the forward is part of Germany's old guard of 2014 World Cup champions still part of the squad at Euro 2020.

"That has nothing to do with Tuesday's game," Müller said. "Some people will be able to draw some motivation from that."

There's much more familiarity between England and Germany these days

in the club game. There are German coaches in the Premier League with Jürgen Klopp at Liverpool and Thomas Tuchel at Chelsea, who have been quickly embraced in England for their tactical intelligence and affable public engagement in English.

"The charisma he has got, a lot of people love him even if you're a neutral fan," England midfielder Jordan Henderson said of Klopp, his coach at Liverpool. "He's had a big part in English football."

Six of Germany's European Championship squad play in the Premier League, including Chelsea's recent Champions League-winning duo Kai Havertz and Timo Werner.

Another member of Joachim Löw's squad, Bayern Munich teenager Jamal Musiala, only switched his national eligibility this year after playing for both Germany and England youth teams.

In Germany, though, they wonder about the Bundesliga player in Southgate's squad not starting. Borussia Dortmund winger Jadon Sancho's only appearance so far was as a late substitute in the group-stage win over the Czech Republic.

"When I get my chance to play," he said. "I'll show everyone what I can do. I know quite a lot of the players in Germany. I play against them week in, week out." **MDT/AP**

## UPCOMING GAMES

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Wed	Jun 30	0:00	England	Germany	Dublin	H 2.62, D 3.35, A 3
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OPINION

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**GRAVE FINDINGS  
 ANOTHER INDICTMENT  
 OF CANADA'S HUMAN  
 RIGHTS CHAMPIONING**

The Cowessess First Nation in Saskatchewan, Canada, announced on Thursday that at least 751 unmarked graves had been discovered on the grounds of the former Marieval Indian Residential School.

Chief Cadmus Delorme emphasized that the remains of what are believed to be both adults and children were not in a mass grave but in unmarked graves where the headstones had been removed by representatives of the Catholic Church.

According to the Archbishop of Regina, Don Bolen, a priest who was serving there entered into a conflict with the local First Nations chief in the 1960s and used a bulldozer to destroy the tombstones. But he said that the number was more than expected and "it points to the pain and suffering that were connected" with what he said was a moment in the past.

Yet although the residential schools have been closed, the racial discrimination targeting Indigenous peoples in Canada hasn't stopped.

The news came the day after Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau preened in front of the cameras defending his country's human rights protection efforts in response to China's call on the United Nations Human Rights Council to conduct a probe into the discovery of the remains of 215 children at the Kamloops Indian Residential School in British Columbia.

This time, the Canadian leader shunned the cameras. Instead, he released a statement in which he said that the findings in Marieval and Kamloops are a "shameful reminder of the systemic racism, discrimination, and injustice that Indigenous peoples have faced – and continue to face – in this country".

While saying that the government is committed to advancing reconciliation in concrete meaningful and lasting way and emphasizing the Canadian government will provide indigenous communities with funding and resources, Trudeau did not offer any details about investigation or accountability.

Given the scale of the findings in just two of the residential schools, the real death toll over more than a century will likely be far more than previously thought.

Ironically, none of Canada's allies, including the United States and the United Kingdom, have commented on the horrible findings, not to mention appealing for an international investigation into them. Something Canada did in the UN Human Rights Council last week, demanding as spokesperson for the Western countries a probe into the so-called human rights issues in the Xinjiang Uygur autonomous region, citing lies fabricated by the United States to smear China. Their collective silence about the horrors in Canada — presumably because they too have the blood of aboriginal people on their hands — speaks volumes of their hypocrisy.

What has been done cannot be undone. But Ottawa is obviously not in a position to lecture others on human rights.

The Canadian government is obliged to work together with the international community to support an impartial and thorough investigation into the crimes against humanity it has committed.

Greek police said yesterday they have arrested two 56-year-old men for trying to sell a rare Roman-era statue of the Greek goddess Hecate for 40,000 euros (about \$48,000).

Police in Thessaloniki said they also arrested a 35-year-old farmer from nearby Pella, who allegedly admitted that he had found the statue on his farm and gave it to the two men to sell.

Police were made aware of the finding and an undercover police officer posed as a buyer and, after a month of negotiations, the two men were arrested Friday in possession of the statue as they went to meet the purported buyer, police said in a statement, adding that such statues are "extremely rare."

The marble statue, 33 centimeters high and 16 centimeters wide and weighing 10 kilograms, is from the second or third century A.D., a time when Greece was part of the Roman Empire.

It depicts three similar figures of Hecate joined together and facing in different directions. This is because these statues were used at crossroads, Michalis Tiverios, emeritus professor of classical archaeology at Thessaloniki's Aristotle University, told The Associated Press.

The arrested men, facing charges of illicit trade in antiquities, will appear before a magistrate today, police said.



COVID-19

**HONG KONG TO BAN PASSENGER FLIGHTS FROM UK TO CURB VIRUS**

ZEN SOO, HONG KONG

**H**ong Kong says it will ban all passenger flights from the U.K. starting Thursday as it seeks to curb the spread of new variants of the coronavirus.

It said in a statement yesterday that the U.K. has been classified as "extremely high risk" because of the "recent rebound of the epidemic situation in the U.K. and the widespread delta variant virus strain there."

Under the classification, people who have stayed in the U.K. for more than two hours will be restricted from boarding passenger flights to Hong Kong.

It is the second time that the Hong Kong government has banned flights from the U.K., following a restriction imposed last December.

The ban comes amid heightened tensions between the U.K. and China over semi-autonomous Hong Kong, which was a

British colony until it was handed over to China in 1997.

The U.K. has criticized China for imposing a national security law on Hong Kong and tightening control over its media, saying Beijing is undermining the city's autonomy.

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The flight ban was triggered by a policy put in place by the government to prevent coronavirus variants from spreading in Hong Kong.

A suspension of passenger flights is imposed if five or more passengers arriving from one place test positive on arrival for a particular coronavirus variant, or a relevant virus mutation within a seven-day period.

A ban is also triggered if 10 or more passengers from one place are

confirmed to be infected with the coronavirus via any tests, including tests conducted during quarantine, within a seven-day period.

The U.K. reported 14,876 people tested positive for the coronavirus on Sunday, as it saw a recent surge in infections.

It has confirmed over 4 million cases since the pandemic began.

Hong Kong, which for months imposed a 21-day quarantine for arrivals from most countries and implemented strict social-

distancing regulations, reported three new cases of the coronavirus yesterday. It has confirmed a total of 11,921 cases since the pandemic began.

The U.K. flight ban comes as Hong Kong is looking to relax quarantine measures for most other countries, including the U.S. and Canada.

Several other countries, including the Philippines and Indonesia, also face flight bans to Hong Kong. MDT/AP



India's military said it thwarted a major threat when it intercepted two drones flying over an army base in Indian-controlled Kashmir early yesterday, a day after suspected explosives-laden drones were used to attack an air base in the disputed region. The military said troops around midnight spotted two drones separately flying over Kaluchak military base on the outskirts of Jammu city.



Russian business delegation met Lebanese officials yesterday to discuss plans to rebuild the grain silos destroyed last year in a massive explosion at Beirut's port, a Lebanese Cabinet minister said. The visit by the Russian team comes as Lebanon is going through the worst economic and financial crisis in its modern history.



Greece will give young adults 150 euros in credit to get vaccinated as it launches a two-tier access policy over the summer. Prime Minister Kyriakos Mitsotakis said yesterday. Mitsotakis said that starting July 15, Greek citizens under age 26 would be eligible for the credit in a digital wallet after receiving the first dose of their COVID-19 vaccination.



Portugal's battle to contain the surging COVID-19 delta variant has led it to put the United Kingdom on its red list for travel and cancel school classes in the southern Algarve region, its main tourist attraction. Portugal has in recent days been reporting the highest number of daily new coronavirus cases since February.