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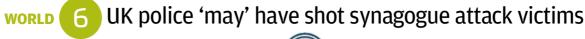
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Djokovic fires up Shanghai bid

Novak Djokovic overcame a tough first set to beat veteran Marin Cilic and reach the third round | **P12**





Taylor Swift strides into 'Showgirl' era with sparkly new album

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US government shutdown seen dragging into next week

UK police 'may' have shot victim killed in synagogue attack



AFP | Manchester, United Kingdom

U^K police said yesterday they may have shot two victims, including one who died, as officers responded to an attack on worshippers at a Manchester synagogue marking a Jewish holiday.

The admission came as Prime Minister Keir Starmer visited the scene of Thursday's car ramming and stabbings. Two men were killed and three people were seriously wounded, heightening fears for Jewish communities across Britain.

"This was a dreadful attack, a terrorist attack to inflict fear, attacking Jews because they are Jews," the UK leader told a group of emergency responders in the northwest English city.

First wolf-dog hybrid confirmed in Greece

AFP | Athens, Greece

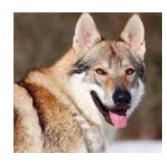
prominent Greek wild-Alife group yesterday said it had confirmed the first case of a wolf-dog hybrid in the north of the

The Callisto group -which is currently involved in efforts to trap a rogue wolf in Halkidiki, northern Greece -- said the hybrid was found near the northern city of Thessaloniki.

"This is the first genetic (case) to be confirmed in Greece," Callisto biologist Aimilia Ioakimeidou told a conference in Athens.

The animal is 45% wolf and 55% canine according to DNA testing, she said.

It was discovered during tests on 50 wolf samples from the Greek mainland, Ioakimeidou said.



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UN experts warn Trump's peace plan could cause more oppression

AFP | Geneva, Switzerland

Dozens of UN experts cautioned yesterday that key elements of US President Donald Trump's peace plan for Gaza were inconsistent with deepening oppression of Palestinians.

"Imposing an immediate instability," 35 United Nations of the peace plan". independent experts said in a

cerns about more than a dozen people, and an influx of aid. aspects of the 20-point plan

"The future of Palestine must be in the hands of the Palestinian people," the experts insisted. "Not imposed by outsiders under extreme conditions of duress in yet another scheme to control their destiny."

Netanyahu.

The experts, who are maninjustice, future violence and tions, said they "welcome part law".

international law and risked last week, and backed by Is- from Gaza, no annexation of raeli Prime Minister Benjamin the territory and the withdrawal of Israeli forces.

However, they warned that peace at any price, regardless dated by the UN Human Rights other elements of the plan were of or brazenly against law and Council but who do not speak "deeply inconsistent with funjustice, is a recipe for further on behalf of the United Na- damental rules of international

The experts, including They hailed the demand for a Francesca Albanese, the spepermanent ceasefire, the rapid cial rapporteur on rights in the partial Israeli occupation in They voiced serious con-release of unlawfully detained Palestinian territory, insisted that any peace plan needed to And they celebrated the call ensure self-determination and which was "absolutely unacunveiled by the US president for no forced displacement accountability, and "not create ceptable", they said.

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They slammed the plan's call for a transitional "Board of Peace" in Gaza, which would be chaired by Trump himself, saying it was "regrettably reminiscent of colonial practices and must be rejected".

Similarly, the experts maintained that the proposed "International Stabilisation Force... would replace Israeli occupation with a US-led occupation, contrary to Palestinian self-determination".

The plan would also leave place "indefinitely" through a security perimeter inside Gaza,

Sunday deadline set for Hamas

Trump sets Sunday deadline for Hamas; group seeks more time

- Trump: If this LAST **CHANCE** agreement is not reached, all HELL, like no one has ever seen before
- Hamas' first opinion supports unconditional approval
- Second has serious reservations regarding key clauses

TDT | agencies

The leadership of Hamas is reportedly divided over former US President Donald Trump's plan to end nearly two years of devastating war in Gaza.

Meanwhile, Trump yesterday said Hamas has until 2200 GMT on Sunday to accept his 20-point plan for peace in Gaza, warning the Palestinian group faced "all hell" if it did not agree to the terms.

"If this LAST CHANCE agreement is not reached, all HELL, like no one has ever seen before, will break out against Hamas," Trump posted on his Truth Social platform.



Swedish climate activist Greta Thunberg (C) and Brazilian activist Thiago Avila (R), along with other activists, after the Israeli navy intercepted the Global Sumud Flotilla carrying humanitarian aid to Gaza

Israel deports first activists from flotilla Jerusalem. Undefined

ception of a final boat brought deported". an end to its mission.

The US leader set the deadline cial for the Islamist movement proposal.

Gaza Strip. Israel's foreign Tsrael yesterday deported ministry said Friday that it **⊥** four Italian activists, the deported four Italian activfirst of hundreds detained ists who were on board the from an aid flotilla bound for flotilla, adding that "the rest Gaza, shortly after the inter- are in the process of being

Among those detained from The Israeli navy began the flotilla were more than intercepting the boats on 20 journalists, according to Wednesday, and an Israe- media watchdog Reporters li official said the following Without Borders (RSF), inday that boats with over 400 cluding reporters from Spain's people on board had been El Pais, Qatar's Al Jazeera and prevented from reaching the Italy's public broadcaster RAI.

-- which would fall at 1:00 a.m. said yesterday that the group According to AFP, citing a Monday in Gaza -- after an offi- still needed time to study the source familiar with the nego-

tiations, the divide lies between officials based in the Gaza Strip and those abroad, particularly in Qatar.

A Hamas official said yesterday that the group still needed more time to study the plan. Mohammad Nazzal, a member of Hamas's political bureau, stated that the "plan has points of concern, and we will announce our position on it soon."

'Two opinions'

The source told AFP that "the first opinion supports unconditional approval, as the priority is a ceasefire under Trump's guarantees, with mediators ensuring Israel implements the plan. The second has serious reservations regarding key clauses... They favour conditional approval with clarifications reflecting Hamas's and the resistance factions' demands."



The proposal, backed by Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, calls for a ceasefire, the release of hostages within 72 hours, Hamas's disarmament and a gradual Israeli withdrawal from Gaza. That would be followed by a post-war transitional authority headed by Trump himself.

India and China to resume direct flights after 5 years New Delhi, India

Tndia and China will re-Lsume direct flights between their two countries this month after a five-year suspension, officials said, with bookings opening yesterday.

Direct flights between the world's two most populous countries were suspended during the Covid-19 pandemic in 2020 and were not resumed.

Following technical discussions, "it has now been agreed that direct air services connecting designated points in India and China can resume by late October", an Indian government statement released on Thursday said.

Indigo, India's largest commercial operator, said on Thursday it would start direct daily flights between Kolkata and Guangzhou from October 26 and later expand operations to New Delhi.



Carrefour name disappears from **Arab stores as Israel boycotters** claim victory

AFP | Dubai, United Arab **Emirates**

¬he Carrefour name has The Carrelou disappeared from storefronts in some Arab countries, with pro-Palestinian shoppers and activists hailing the shift as a victory for their boycott of brands perceived as being linked to Israel.

The French multinational has long been in the crosshairs of Palestinian supporters, who accuse it of selling products from Israeli settlements and partnering with Israeli firms operating there.

The group has denied operating in the settlements in the occupied West Bank, which are considered illegal under international law.

But in the past year Majid Al Futtaim, the group that operates the Carrefour franchise in the Middle East, has closed the brand's supermarkets in Jordan, Oman, Kuwait and Bahrain.

It has since reopened under the new name HyperMax, citing "growing demand for locally sourced products and services in a number of our markets".