

'Bond 25' delayed again
 Daniel Craigs "Bond 25" will open on April 8, 2020 now, instead of February 14, 2020. It's the second delay for "Bond 25". MGM and Eon originally announced in 2017 that the film would open on November 8, 2019, then moved that back to February 14, 2020. **P14**

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21 MERS cases detected

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The current epidemiological week has seen an increased number of Middle East respiratory syndrome coronavirus (MERS-CoV) infections, with 21 new cases reported in the Kingdom, of 15 men and six women, including three fatalities, according to an electronic survey conducted by the Ministry of Health.

Russia jails US investor

Moscow

A Russian court yesterday jailed the US founder of a major investment firm for two months over fraud charges he says were fabricated for use in a shareholder battle. Michael Calvey, founder of the multi-billion-dollar investment fund Baring Vostok Capital Partners (BVCP), was placed under arrest until April 13.

Europe urged to stop undermining Iran sanctions

London

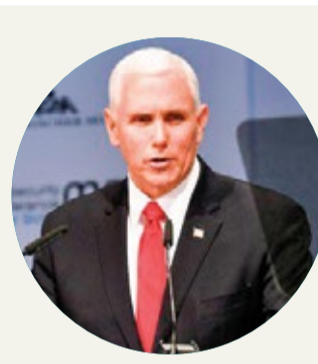
It's time for the United States' European partners to "stop undermining" sanctions on Iran, US Vice President Mike Pence said yesterday at the Munich Security Conference.

Speaking right after Chancellor Angela Merkel defended the 2015 Iran deal, Pence said: "The time has come for our European partners to stop undermining US sanctions against this murder-

ous revolutionary regime" by continuing to offer economic incentives in exchange for Tehran limiting its nuclear capability.

He said Europe should withdraw from the Iran nuclear deal "and join us as we bring the economic and diplomatic pressure necessary to give the Iranian people, the region and the world the peace, security and freedom they deserve."

Pence also called Iran "the leading state sponsor of terror-



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ism in the world." The Iranian regime openly advocates another Holocaust and it seeks the means to achieve it, Pence, who also visited the Nazi concentration camp Auschwitz, told delegates.

Pence said: "The time has come for our European partners to stand with us and with the Iranian people, our allies and friends in the region. The time has come for our European partners to withdraw from the Iran nuclear deal."



A fighter with the US-backed Syrian Democratic Forces runs with a weapon during an operation to expel Daesh militants from the Baghouz area.

IS on brink of defeat

US-backed fighters closing in on Daesh gunmen in eastern Syria

● Groups said that some 200 Daeshgunmen surrendered Friday.

Damascus

A US-backed force in Syria is closing in on Daesh militants in a tiny area less than a square kilometer (square mile) in eastern Syria, and will soon declare the defeat of the militant group, a commander with the group said Saturday.

The capture of the last pocket still held by Daesh fighters in the village of Baghouz would mark the end of a devastating four-year global campaign to end the extremist group's

20,000

civilians, many of them the wives and families of foreign fighters, were evacuated from a village near Baghouz yesterday.

hold on territory in Syria and Iraq — their so-called "caliphate" that at the height of the group's power in 2014 controlled nearly a third of both Iraq and Syria.

"We will very soon bring good news to the whole world," said Ciya Furat, a commander with the Kurdish-led force known as the Syrian Democratic Forces,

speaking at a news conference at the Al Omar Oil Field Base in the Deir Ezzor province.

President Donald Trump said the White House will make an announcement about Syria and the fight against Daesh.

"We have a lot of great announcements having to do with Syria and our success with the eradication of the caliphate and that will be announced over the next 24 hours," Trump told journalists at the White House on Friday.

An Associated Press team in Baghouz Saturday, hundreds of meters away from the last speck of land where Daesh militants were holed up, saw several aircraft overhead and two airstrikes hit the area. SDF fighters said were fired by the US-led coalition.



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