

Nurse arrested in case of US woman who gave birth in vegetative state

Los Angeles, United States

A male nurse has been arrested in Arizona for the sexual assault of a woman who gave birth while in a long-term vegetative state, police in the US state said Wednesday.

The 29-year-old victim gave birth late last month to a baby boy, whose DNA was matched to that of the suspect, leading to the arrest, according to police.

The suspect -- identified as Nathan Sutherland, age 36 -- faces charges of one count of sexual assault and one count of vulnerable adult abuse, Phoenix police Sergeant Tommy Thomson told a news conference.

"The baby I am told is doing good," Thompson said.

The CEO of the nursing facility resigned following the scandal, according to a statement sent to media.

Thai king signs decree approving first election since coup

Bangkok, Thailand

Thailand's king has issued a royal decree endorsing the first general election since a 2014 coup, with a date for the long-delayed poll expected later.

"It's a suitable time to hold an election of members of parliament," said the decree by 66-year-old King Thai King Maha Vajiralongkorn, published in the Royal Gazette on



Thai King Maha Vajiralongkorn

Wednesday and countersigned by junta leader Prayut Chan-O-Cha.

Three arrested at US airport, charged with supporting IS



From left, Booking photos of Muse Abdikadir Muse, Mohamud Abdikadir Muse and Mohamed Salat Haji. (Courtesy of woodtv/kent Country Sheriff's office)

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Chicago, United States

Three American citizens of Kenyan descent have been charged with conspiring to support the Islamic State group after an arrest at a Michigan airport foiled their alleged plot, authorities announced Tuesday.

The three men, all in their 20s and related to each other, allegedly recorded videos pledging their allegiance to IS and discussed a potential car attack in the United States if one of them was unable to travel overseas to fight for the terror group.

FBI agents employed undercover agents to communicate with the suspects and multiple search warrants of their social media accounts to monitor the suspects' communications between each other, according to an affidavit filed in federal court.

The three were arrested Monday at Gerald Ford Airport in the city of Grand Rapids as Muse Abdikadir Muse, 23, also known as Muse Muse, was going through the TSA security screening process.

Authorities said he had checked in for a trip that would eventually take him to Mogadishu, Somalia, with the goal of joining IS.

In an online exchange with an undercover FBI agent, Muse allegedly said he wanted to join IS in Somalia and "fight in the front lines," according to the affidavit.

Police also arrested at the airport terminal the men said to be Muse's co-conspirators: his brother Mohamud Abdikadir Muse, 20, and another relative, Mohamed Salat Haji, 26.

The two are alleged to have purchased the airline ticket and driven Muse to the airport.

All three men, who are naturalized US citizens from Kenya, were charged with conspiring to provide material support or resources to a designated foreign terrorist organization.

"I'm on a plane that looks like it's going to fall apart"

Search resumes for missing plane of Cardiff striker Sala as his last words emerge

AFP | St Peter Port, United Kingdom

Police on the British island of Guernsey resumed the search yesterday for a missing plane carrying Premier League player Emiliano Sala, who is presumed dead after debris was found in the water.

The light aircraft carrying the Argentine striker, who signed for Cardiff City at the weekend, disappeared from radar around 20 kilometres (12 miles) north of Guernsey on Monday night.

"We have resumed searching," the police said.

"Two planes are taking off and will search a targeted area we believe has the highest likelihood of finding anything, based on review of the tides and weather since it (the plane) went missing.

"Coastal areas around (the nearby island of) Alderney and off-lying rocks and islands will also be searched from the air."

Sala, who signed on Saturday from French club Nantes for a reported fee of 17 million euros (\$19.3 million), was flying to Cardiff on a single-engine Piper PA-46 Malibu aircraft.

It has emerged he expressed concerns about the plane on the flight, according to an audio message sent to friends and relatives.

"I'm on a plane that looks like it's going to fall apart, and I'm leaving for Cardiff," Sala said in a WhatsApp audio message carried by Argentine media.

"If in an hour and a half you have no news from me, I don't know if they will send people



FC Nantes football club supporters gather in Nantes after it was announced that the plane Argentinian forward Emiliano Sala was flying on vanished during a flight from Nantes in western France to Cardiff in Wales

Sala 'made own travel arrangements', says Cardiff chairman

London, United Kingdom

Emiliano Sala made his own arrangements to travel to Cardiff, the chairman of the Premier League club said yesterday as the search resumed for the player's missing plane.

The club told *Wales Online* that they had offered their new forward a commercial flight to

travel to Cardiff.

"We spoke to the player and asked him if he wanted us to make arrangements for his flight which, quite frankly, would have been commercial," Cardiff chairman Mehmet Dalman was quoted as saying. "He declined and made his own arrangements.

"I can't tell you who arranged the flight because I don't know

at this stage -- but it certainly wasn't Cardiff City."

"Cardiff City will be involved with the investigation," he said.

According to a separate report on the BBC, Dalman said there were no plans to rearrange the club's next Premier League match, against Arsenal at the Emirates on January 29.

to look for me, because they will not find me, you know. Dad, I'm so scared," he added.

A 15-hour search Tuesday covering a 1,155 square-mile (3,000 square-kilometre) area in

the Channel spotted "a number of floating objects in the water", Guernsey police said.

Now you may buy a Robocop dog for home

Tokyo, Japan

Sony's puppy-sized robot dog Aibo, equipped with cameras, artificial intelligence and internet capability, can now remotely check up on family members, children or even pets, the Japanese electronics giant said yesterday.

The 30-centimetre (one-foot) rotopup with flapping ears and cutting-edge LED eyes will roam around the home at pre-designated times looking for family members.

However, the latest canine tech does not come cheap, with a single dog costing nearly



Versions of Sony's puppy-sized robot dog "Aibo", including a 2019 limited special colour model (R), are displayed

\$3,000 for a three-year package, including software services such as data storage. The owner will receive pro-

gress reports via smartphone in the service offered from next month in conjunction with home security company Secom.

"You will be able to check how remote family members are doing or what children are doing when they get home," project chief Izumi Kawanishi told reporters at the Sony headquarters in Tokyo.

"We aim to make you feel a bit more secure by living with aibo and having fun," added Kawanishi. The gadget will also be able to watch over real pets in the future thanks to image recognition and learning capabilities.

Home Grown Coral



An employee of Burgers Zoo in Arnhem, removes coral from a growing basin on January 23, 2019. Over 300 home-grown coral, sea anemones and coral fish are shipped from the Burgers Zoo, supplying England's London Aquarium and Chester Zoo.

Pope Francis announces Japan visit

On Board The Papal Plane, Italy

Pope Francis announced yesterday he will visit Japan in November, becoming the first pontiff to do so since John Paul II nearly 40 years ago. "I will go to Japan in November," he said on board the Papal plane bringing him to Panama for a gathering of

young Catholics.

The Argentine pontiff has repeatedly voiced a desire to visit Japan, home to some 450,000 Roman Catholics, including most recently in September last year.

Around 510,000 Protestants live in the largely Shinto Buddhist country, according to Japan's Agency for Cultural Affairs.