

Roman soldier Diocletian proclaimed Emperor by the army



Böğü, Khan of the Uyghurs, conquers Lo-Yang, capital of the Chinese Empire

Zumbi, the last King of the Quilombo dos Palmares in early Brazil and ex-slave, is executed and decapitated, his head displayed on a pike to dispel any legends of his immortality

The Nuremberg war trials begin as 24 Nazi leaders are put on trial before judges representing the victorious Allied powers

Protestion 'critical' as Iran kills 3 more protesters

Police on protester's family, seize body



A motorcycle on fire during a protest in Iran (file photo)

Government forces had shot dead at least three civilians.

Protesters have been killed in 25 of Iran's 31 provinces, IHR said yesterday -- including 123 in eastern Sistan-Baluchistan and 40 in Amini's home province of Kurdistan.

Amini, a 22-year-old Iranian of Kurdish origin, died three days after her arrest in Tehran by the notorious morality police over an alleged breach of the Islamic

republic's dress code for women which includes the mandatory hijab headscarf.

Protester's corpse 'seized'

Protests raged overnight in the town of Bukan in Kurdistan, where Revolutionary Guards opened fire on family members mourning a slain protester and taking his body from hospital before burying it in an undisclosed location, Hengaw said.



Iran accuses Western nations that host Persian-language media -- including Britain -- of fomenting the unrest

Activists accuse Iran's security forces of carrying out secret burials of protesters they have killed, to prevent more violence from flaring at their funerals.

"Last night, after Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps forces attacked Shahid Gholi Pur Hospital in Bukan, they seized Shahryar Mohammadi's body and buried him secretly," Hengaw said.

The group said the forces "opened fire on his family and inflicted injuries on at least five of them".

Elsewhere, hundreds of mourners were seen marching yesterday

along a road near Mahabad in West Azerbaijan province for the funeral of Kamal Ahmadpour, a young man shot dead by security forces, in a video published by the 1500tasvir monitor.

"The Islamic Republic of Iran's forces have significantly increased the use of lethal weapons in attacks on protesters in the past five days," Hengaw told AFP.

The rights group said security forces had killed at least 25 people in Kurdistan since Tuesday, when protesters thronged streets on the anniversary of a lethal 2019 crackdown known as "Bloody Aban" -- or Bloody November.

"Twenty-three people were killed by direct fire, one by torture, and one by knife stabs," Hengaw said.

At least 12 security personnel have been killed in the three days of protests called to mark the November 15 anniversary, according to an AFP tally from official sources.

Hundreds were killed in the crackdown three years ago on street violence that erupted over a hike in fuel prices.

New UK PM Sunak visits Kyiv, pledges support



Volodymyr Zelenskyy shakes hands with Rishi Sunak
AFP | Kyiv

Britain's new Prime Minister Rishi Sunak made his first visit to Kyiv yesterday, pledging to continue the firm support for Ukraine that was a focus of his predecessors, and providing a new air defence package to help shoot down Russian drones.

"Britain knows what it means to fight for freedom," Sunak said on Twitter. "We are with you all the way."

Sunak said in a statement that Britain would provide a new 50 million pound (\$60 million) package that includes anti-aircraft guns and technology such as radar to counter drone attacks. Britain also said it would increase the training it provides to Ukraine's armed forces.



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Inadequate sanitation systems spread human waste into rivers, lakes & soil, polluting the water resources under our feet. With 3.6 billion people still living without a safe toilet, we must act urgently to deliver on the basic human right to water & sanitation for all.

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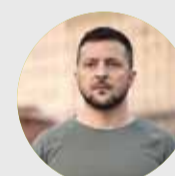
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Britain knows what it means to fight for freedom. We are with you all the way @ZelenskyyUa

@RishiSunak

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Thank you, @RishiSunak. With friends like you by our side, we are confident in our victory. Both of our nations know what it means to stand up for freedom

@ZelenskyyUa

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Fascinating to watch Twitter Trump poll!

@elonmusk

Blizzards as 'lake-effect' snows western New York



Blizzards in Buffalo, New York



Snowfalls of such proportions are not uncommon for western New York in November, when the relatively warm waters of the Great Lakes can mix with frigid air in the upper atmosphere dropping down from the Arctic

precipitation throughout the day, burying some areas in several feet of snow, and were expected to persist through Sunday, according to the National Weather Service.

Latam plane crashes into fire truck on Peru runway

Reuters | Lima

A LATAM Airlines jet collided with a firetruck on the runway as it was taking off from the airport in Peru's capital Lima on Friday, resulting in the death of two firefighters, the carrier said.

Peru's health ministry said at 7pm (0000 GMT) that 20 passengers were being treated in a clinic, and at least two were in serious condition. The airline said no passengers or crew members were killed.

The ministry said 61 people had been moved to nearby clinics and hospitals from Jorge Chavez International Airport. It was not clear whether this was due to injury or precaution.

President Pedro Castillo expressed condolences to the families of the two firefighters in a statement on Twitter, saying he was praying for the recovery of those injured.



The LATAM Airlines plane is seen in Lima airport after the collision

It was unclear why the firetruck entered the runway while the plane was taking off. The prosecutors' office said it was investigating the incident as potential manslaughter.

This is the second incident in less than a month involving LATAM Airlines, after one of its planes had its nose destroyed during a severe storm that forced it to make an emergency

landing. Chile-based LATAM Airlines' Peru branch said it was deploying all its resources to attend to those affected, and work with authorities to support the investigation.

Video posted on social media showed the jet colliding with the firetruck as it careened down the runway, then rapidly catching fire and smoking heavily



No emergency was reported on the flight. It was a flight that was in optimal conditions to take off, it had authorization to take off and it encountered a truck on the runway and we don't know what the truck was doing there

MANUEL VAN OORDT, GENERAL MANAGER OF LATAM AIRLINES PERU

as it ground to a halt.

"Everyone in the departure lounge was apprehensive until we saw the plane stopped, and then the fire engines and ambulances arrived," said Mauro Ferreira, a Brazilian waiting to board a flight home to Panama, who filmed the incident.

US Justice Dept names war crimes expert as special counsel for Trump probes

Reuters | Washington

US Attorney General Merrick Garland on Friday named Jack Smith, a war crimes prosecutor, to serve as special counsel to oversee Justice Department investigations related to Donald Trump including the former president's handling of sensitive documents and efforts to overturn the 2020 election.

Garland's announcement came three days after Trump, a Republican, announced he would run for president again



Attorney General Merrick Garland announces the special counsel in 2024. Garland said Trump's candidacy, as well as Demo-

cratic President Biden's stated intention to run for re-election, made the appointment of a special counsel necessary.

Special counsels are sometimes appointed to investigate politically sensitive cases and they do their jobs with a degree of independence from the Justice Department leadership.

"The pace of the investigations will not pause or flag under my watch," Smith said in a statement. "I will exercise independent judgment and will move the investigations forward

expeditiously and thoroughly to whatever outcome the facts and the law dictate."

Smith will oversee the investigation into Trump's handling of government documents after leaving the White House last year and the probe into attempts to interfere with the peaceful transfer of power following the 2020 election, Garland said.

"Appointing a special counsel at this time is the right thing to do," Garland, who was appointed by Biden, told a news conference.

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