

# Majority of U.S. Young Adults Reject Trump: Poll

WASHINGTON - Despite U.S. Republican presidential nominee Donald Trump's strategy of patching together a bipartisan coalition by appealing to the millions of young supporters of former Democratic candidate Bernie Sanders, a new poll found that his populist play had so far failed among millennials. The latest USA Today/Rock the Vote poll released on Sunday found that while 56 percent of voters under 35 say they would vote for Democratic presidential nomi-



nee Hillary Clinton, one in five in this age group support Trump. In addition, Clinton trounced Trump among Sanders' supporters, with 72 percent supporting the former secretary of state and 11 percent backing Trump. The number of the Millennial generation, now 18-34, was estimated to be 75.4 million, according to U.S. Census Bureau data released in April. While young voters tended to vote for Democrats in recent election cycles, the ... (More on P4)...(21)

## U.S. Transfers 15 Guantanamo Detainees to UAE: Pentagon

WASHINGTON - The United States transferred 15 Guantanamo detainees from Cuba to the United Arab Emirates in the single largest release over the last seven years, Pentagon announced on Monday. The transfer of the 15 detainees, among whom 12 were Yemeni nationals and the other three Afghans, reduced the population of the military prison to 61 and came six months after U.S. President Barack Obama made

what was widely seen as his last plea for support from the Republican-controlled Congress to close the facility. In a statement released on Monday, the Pentagon said the United States was "grateful to the Government of the United Arab Emirates for its humanitarian gesture and willingness to support ongoing U.S. efforts to close the Guantanamo Bay detention facility." In February, ... (More on P4)...(22)

## Turkish Police Raid 44 Firms for Financial Support to Failed Coup Bid

ISTANBUL - Turkish police on Tuesday launched simultaneous operations against 44 companies in Istanbul over their suspected links to a failed military coup attempt last month, Turkish media reported. The companies were accused of offering financial support to U.S.-based Muslim cleric Fetullah Gulen and the movement he leads, who Ankara blames for masterminding the coup bid on July 15, the Hurriyet daily said. Detention warrants were



issued against 120 company executives as part of the operations, media reports said. Some 82,000 personnel from state institutions have been suspended or dismissed from their posts over the coup attempt. (Xinhua)

## Putin Thanks Kazakh Counterpart for Helping Settle Conflict with Turkey

MOSCOW - Russian President Vladimir Putin on Tuesday thanked his Kazakh counterpart Nursultan Nazarbayev for his mediation in restoring relations with Turkey. At a meeting with Nazarbayev in the Black Sea resort of Sochi, Putin called the efforts of the Kazakh leader a "success" in helping with the restoration of relations between Moscow and Ankara, which soured after the downing of a Russian military aircraft by the Turkish side in November

2015. Earlier this month, Putin met Turkey's President Recep Tayyip Erdogan in St. Petersburg after the latter apologized for the death of the Russian pilot in the downing incident. The meeting, as well as Moscow's decision to lift a number of economic sanctions imposed on Ankara after the incident, signalled the desire of both parties to restore their traditionally friendly relations. Putin said Moscow was sincerely ... (More on P4)...(23)

## Russian Defense Ministry Announces First Syria Strikes from Iran Base

MOSCOW - Russian bombers carried out air strikes against terrorist targets in Syria from an air base in Iran for the first time, the Russian Defense Ministry said Tuesday. "On Aug. 16, Tu-22M3 long-range bombers and Su-34 frontline bomber took off with a full bomb load from their home airfield of Hamadan (Islamic Republic of Iran), and carried out a group air strike against the Islamic State and Nusra Front terrorist groups' targets in the provinces of Aleppo, Deir



ez-Zor and Idlib," the ministry said in a statement. Su-30cm and Su-35s fighters, based in Hmeimim air base in Syria, provided cover for the mission, the statement said. The ministry said five large ... (More on P4)...(24)

## WHO to Vaccinate 14 Mln against Yellow Fever in Angola, DRC

GENEVA - The World Health Organization (WHO) on Tuesday said one of the largest emergency vaccination campaigns ever attempted in Africa will start in Angola and the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) this week. A yellow fever outbreak in Africa has so far killed more than 400 people and sickened thousands more. WHO is coordinating between 56 global partners to vaccinate more than 14 million people against yellow fever in over 8,000 locations. The yellow fever outbreak has found its way to dense, urban areas and hard-to-reach border regions, making planning for the vaccination campaign especially complex. According to WHO, emergency yellow fever vaccination campaigns have already reached more than 13 million people in Angola and more than 3 million in DRC. These campaigns have been crucial to stopping the spread of the outbreak. However, some areas are still considered at high risk. (Xinhua)

## China, ASEAN Reaffirm to Solve Disputes Via Negotiation

HOHHOT - Senior officials from China and ASEAN have reaffirmed plans to solve disputes on the South China Sea through negotiations and by using a regional framework of regulations. The statement came as senior officials held a meeting in Manzhouli, a land port city in northern China, on Monday and Tuesday, which focused on implementing the Declaration on the Conduct of the Parties in the South China Sea (DOC). The meeting was held after the China-ASEAN foreign ministers' meeting in late July and before the



upcoming China-ASEAN leaders' meeting in September. Both sides agreed to continue to implement the DOC and reaffirmed plans: to solve disputes via negotiation, manage differences with a regional framework of regulations, deepen maritime cooperation, and move forward negotiation on the code of conduct in the South China Sea (COC) to safeguard peace and stability of the region. (Xinhua)

## UN Agency Pushes for Change from Culture of Privilege to Equality

SANTIAGO - Latin America and the Caribbean countries should "change its culture of privilege...to a culture of equality," a UN official has urged. Antonio Prado, deputy executive secretary of Santiago-based United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC), made the appeal in a recent interview with Xinhua. "This is the hope of those who think that parts of the society have great privileges but the vast majority have nothing. The theme of equality as a form of social justice is very strong across Latin America," he said. Prado and ... (More on P4)...(25)

## US Willing to Work with Sri Lanka to Rebuild Economy: Envoy

COLOMBO - The United States is willing to work with Sri Lanka in rebuilding the island country's economy, advance good governance and ensure equal rights and equal opportunity for all, a statement quoting a U.S. diplomat said here Tuesday. U.S. Ambassador to Colombo Atul Keshap said that while Sri Lanka and the United States shared strong ties, the United States was ready to support the people and the Sri Lankan government in their shared vision for a reconciled and unified country. "As Sri Lanka seizes on this golden moment of national reconciliation, we will remain your friend ... (More on P4)...(26)

## S. Korean Provincial Governor Asks Communications for Alternative THAAD Site

DAMASCUS - At least 30 rebels were killed and tens of others wounded on Sunday, when a blast rocked a rebel-held border crossing between Syria and Turkey, activists reported. A suicide bomber detonated his explosive belt at the border crossing in the northern countryside of Idlib, one activist group said. Another activist group, the Syrian Observatory for Human Rights, also confirmed the explosion, saying the suicide bomber detonated himself inside a bus carrying rebel fighters from the Turkish territories into Syria. The UK-based watchdog group said some Turkish border guards were killed as a result of the explosion, which indicates that the blast rocked at the Turkish side of the border crossing. Several explosions rocked near the Turkish borders throughout the Syrian crisis, as part of the rebel-on-rebel tension. The Syrian government has for long accused Turkey of facilitating the flow of rebel fighters from its territories into Syria. (Xinhua)

## U.S. Army Chief to Visit S. Korea this Week Amid Tensions on THAAD

SEOUL - Chief of the U.S. Army plans to visit South Korea this week, Seoul's defense ministry said on Tuesday. Gen. Mark Milley, U.S. Army chief of staff, will make a three-day visit to South Korea from Wednesday, meeting his South Korean counterpart on Friday, a South Korean army official told a regular press briefing. The U.S. army head will receive an update on plans to deploy one Terminal High Altitude Area Defense (THAAD) battery on South Korean soil, his office said. It would mark his second visit to South Korea since he took office in August 2015. High-level U.S. army official's visit to South Korea would come amid heightened tensions surrounding Seoul and Washington's abrupt decision last month to house one THAAD battery in southeastern South Korea by the end of next year. (Xinhua)

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### Iran Army Quells Terror Plot by Killing 4 IS-Linked Terrorists

TEHRAN - Four terrorists belonging to the Islamic State (IS) were killed in clashes with Iranian security forces in the west of the country, the local official of Kermanshah province said on Tuesday. Following the cooperated operations by the Iran's security forces in Kermanshah province, a 10-member team of IS terrorists who intended

to carry out terrorist acts inside the country was busted, Asadollah Razani, the governor general of Kermanshah province, was quoted as saying by state IRIB TV. In the operations, four of them were killed and six others were arrested, Razani said, adding that they were equipped with suicide vests and belts. (Xinhua)

### Turkmen, Russian Foreign Ministers Discuss Cooperation

ASHGABAT - According to the message from the Turkmenistan's oil and gas complex, at the initiative of the Russian side phone conversation of Russia's Minister of Foreign Affairs Sergey Lavrov with the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Turkmenistan Rasheed Meredov took place on August 12. Russian companies fruitfully operate on Turkmen market, especially in oil and gas field. Around 190 companies with Russian share operate in Turkmenistan. Russia-Turkmenistan intergovernmental commission on economic

cooperation plays an important role in increasing the joint efforts in this sphere. During conversation Lavrov and Meredov discussed interaction in Caspian region, and also some topical issues of the bilateral agenda, including cooperation in trade and economic spheres. Earlier at a meeting with leaders of Iran and Azerbaijan in Baku the president of Russian Federation Vladimir Putin told that Moscow was ready to discuss joint use of pipeline infrastructure for transportation of hydrocarbons of the Caspian Sea. (Agencies)

### China Makes Headway on Belt and Road, Urbanization

BEIJING - Progresses in the Belt and Road Initiative and China's urbanization drive are among the bright spots in the country's efforts to fulfill targets in its development plan. Capacity, infrastructure and education cooperation with countries under the Belt and Road Initiative have made substantial progress, said Zhao Chenxin, spokesperson for the National Development and Reform Commission (NDRC) at a news briefing.

der the framework. So far, Chinese companies have built 46 cooperation zones in countries along the routes, while China's Ministry of Education has inked over 60 deals with those countries. In 2015, nearly half of the international students in China came from countries along the routes, Zhao said. Nearly 400,000 foreign students from 202 countries and regions came to study in China in 2015, data showed. Meanwhile, China has built railways, highways and ports along the routes while signing MOUs with its neighbors and partners. (Xinhua)

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### Gen. Raheel Confirms Death Sentences of 11 'Hardcore Terrorists'

RAWALPINDI - Pakistan's Chief of Army Staff (COAS) General Raheel Sharif on Tuesday confirmed the death sentences of 11 'hardcore terrorists' involved in committing "heinous offences related to terrorism," said an Inter-Services Public Relations statement. The convicts were involved in killing of DIG Fayyaz Sumbal and ASI Raza Khan of

Balochistan Police and Inspector Kamran Nazir of Inter-Services Intelligence (ISI) at Quetta, ISPR said. The convicted terrorists also include those who were involved in sectarian killings, kidnapping and killing of civilians and personnel of Frontier Constabulary and killing of Major Majeed of Pakistan Army. These convicts were tried by military courts. (Monitoring Desk)

### Over 12,700 Tons of Humanitarian Aid Delivered to Tajikistan in Jan-Jul 2016

DUSHANBE - Forty-eight countries of the world have provided 26.2 million U.S. dollars' worth of more than 12,700 tons of humanitarian aid to Tajikistan over the first seven months of this year, according to the Agency for Statistics under the President of Tajikistan. Over the same seven-month period, among the donor countries the greatest share in value reportedly came from China - 26.4 percent; Russia - 19.8

percent; India - 9.5 percent; Pakistan - 5.2 percent; Serbia - 5.1 percent; Belarus - 4.0 percent; Kazakhstan - 3.6 percent; Denmark - 3.4 percent; Turkey - 3.2 percent; Germany - 3.0 percent; South Korea - 2.6 percent; Switzerland - 2.3 percent; Azerbaijan, the Netherlands and the United States - 1.5 percent each; France and Thailand - 1.3 percent each; Iran - 1.1 percent; and others. (Asia-Plus)