

# UN Chief Calls for Full Global Disarmament

UNITED NATIONS - UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon on Monday called for a full global disarmament as the world faces growing nuclear dangers and tensions, but progress in multilateral nuclear disarmament has come to a "standstill."

"Let us pledge to work for the total elimination of nuclear weapons with urgency and a sense of collective purpose. Our very survival depends upon it," Ban said in his message to mark the International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons, which is observed annually on Sept. 26. Noting that nuclear disarmament is one of the founding principles of the world body, he said that it was also the objective of the first UN General



Assembly resolution.

"Disarmament is in our DNA," the secretary-general said, adding that he has been proud to advance the goal of a world free of nuclear weapons, such as by launching, in 2008, a Five Point Proposal on Nuclear Disarmament to spur member states to greater action.

"Sadly, many countries continue to include nuclear deterrence in their security doctrines. But recent developments have shown that nuclear weapons do not ensure peace and security. Rather, their development and possession has become a major source of international tension," the UN chief said.

"As we ... (More on P4)...(17)

## Poll, Experts Suggest Clinton Winner of 1st US Presidential Debate

HEMPSTEAD, the United States - A new CNN/ORC poll and experts at Hofstra University said Hillary Clinton was the winner of Monday night's presidential debate as the Democratic nominee faced off with Republican Donald Trump for the very first time in the 2016 election cycle.

The new poll showed a landslide victory for Clinton, with 62 percent of Americans that watched the debate saying Clinton won compared to 27 percent who said Trump

won. The pollster acknowledged that debate watchers normally skew Democratic, which may make for a more Clinton-friendly sample than the sample in a normal poll.

"But that is an overwhelming victory among these debate watchers we polled for Hillary Clinton," said



David Chalian, political director of CNN. Experts in the field of political science and rhetoric at Hofstra University also expressed similar views, arguing that Trump spent too ... (More on P4)...(18)

## Vietnam to Host ASEAN Broker Conference and Networking in October

HANOI - The third ASEAN Broker Conference and Networking event will be held in Vietnam's capital Hanoi on Oct. 6-10, said the Hanoi Stock Exchange (HNX), the organizer, on Tuesday.

The event is expected to draw participation of 28 securities companies in ASEAN, 42 local companies and 133 delegates. Meanwhile, as many as 71 pairs of companies have registered for bilateral meetings to discuss cooperation at the event.

The ASEAN Broker Conference and Networking event, an initiative on collaboration among trading floors in the region, is organized alternately among the bloc's country members. The event aims to share experience and boost business and investment cooperation, said the HNX. First held in Thailand in 2011 with 62 securities companies participating in last year's edition in Indonesia's Bali, the ... (More on P4)...(19)

## Turkish FM Criticizes U.S. over Syrian Kurds Presence in Manbij

ANKARA - Turkish Foreign Minister Mevlut Cavusoglu on Tuesday criticized the U.S. of not convincing Syrian Kurdish fighters to move to east of Euphrates River. About 200 members of the Kurdish People's Protection Units (YPG) were still at the west of Euphrates River, the Turkish minister told a joint press conference with visiting British Foreign Secretary Boris Johnson in Ankara. Cavusoglu recalled a commitment by Washington on YPG retreat to

the east of the Euphrates River after a joint military operation against the Islamic State (IS) in Syria's Manbij region.

"Either they cannot influence the YPG, or they don't want to send them (to east of the Euphrates)," he said.

Cooperating with the YPG in any potential operation against the IS in Raqqa would mean "putting Syria's future at risk," Cavusoglu added. The anti-IS coalition member countries lack a ... (More on P4)...(20)

## Oil Prices Rise as OPEC Meeting Begins

NEW YORK - Oil prices climbed on Monday as world major producers kicks off a meeting to discuss ways to support the market.

OPEC (Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries) members and Russia are scheduled to meet on the sidelines of the International Energy Forum in Algeria from Sept. 26 to 28.

Although countries including Saudi Arabia have downplayed the meeting as "a chance to consult rather than take a decision on output levels", it is still widely expected that the key oil producers may



reach an output-cut deal during the meeting to stabilize the market. The West Texas Intermediate for November delivery

added 1.45 U.S. dollars to settle at 45.93 U.S. dollars a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange, while Brent crude for No-

vember delivery gained 1.46 U.S. dollars to close at 47.35 U.S. dollars a barrel on the London ICE Futures Exchange. (Xinhua)

## Drones Used In Joint Russian-Indian Military Drills

VLADIVOSTOK, Russia - Russian and Indian motorized units have used unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) during joint military drills in Russia's Far Eastern Primorsky Territory, a Russian Eastern Military District (EMD) spokesman has said. During the drills, EMD units and Indian Armed Forces used Russian UAVs "Orlan-10" to locate illegal armed groups, said the district's spokesman Vladimir Matveyev.

Using UAVs, the two countries' forces also practiced transporting tactical groups, he said. In total, over 500 Russian and Indian military members and 50 units of equipment are involved in the drills.

The joint military ... (More on P4)...(21)

## Australia's NSW to Get 2nd Cruise Ship Terminal in Newcastle

SYDNEY - Australia's New South Wales (NSW) second major cruise ship terminal will be built in the Port of Newcastle in mid 2017. The 12.7 million Australian dollars (9.96 million U.S. dollars) multi-purpose terminal will be 3,000 square meters and similar in scale to Sydney's White Bay Terminal, local media reported on Tuesday. NSW premier Mike Baird said the Hunter region, commonly known as the Hunter Valley which is one of the largest river valleys on the NSW coast, will be able to grab a bigger slice of the growing cruise ship industry once the facility is built.

"This project secures the future of cruise shipping in Newcastle and gives the city and the region the opportunity to compete for the growing east ... (More on P4)...(23)

## 87 Turkish Intelligence Personnel Dismissed over Links to Gulen

ANKARA - The National Intelligence Organization (MIT) dismissed Tuesday 87 personnel for suspected links to the Fethullah Gulen Movement, state-run Anadolu Agency reported.

Out of 87 MIT personnel dismissed, 52 will face criminal complaints, the report said.

The decision was made under a statutory decree issued in July during the three-month state of emergency.

The dismissed personnel will not be permitted to work in any other state institutions.



Meanwhile, the chief prosecutor of Istanbul issued orders for the detention of 121 members of a relief organization on suspicion of links to the Gulenist, the prosecutor's office announced Tuesday.

Police launched an operation in 18 Turkish provinces to detain members, including the director of the humanitarian aid organization "Kimse Yok Mu" (Is Nobody There?). The ... (More on P4)...(22)

## IS Claims two Suicide Bomb Attacks in Baghdad, 15 People Killed

BAGHDAD - The Islamic State (IS) group on Tuesday claimed responsibility for two suicide bomb attacks at busy commercial areas in the Iraqi capital of Baghdad that killed a total of 15 people and wounded 59 others, the group said in an online statement.

One of the group's suicide bombers, nicknamed Abu Ayyub al-Iraqi, detonated his explosive vest at a crowd of Shiite people in New Baghdad district in eastern Baghdad, while another suicide bomber struck

Baiyaa district in southern Baghdad, according to a brief statement, of which the authenticity could not be independently verified.

Earlier, a police source anonymously told Xinhua that one of the attacks occurred in the morning when a suicide bomber detonated his explosive vest at a busy commercial area near a post office in New Baghdad, killing seven people and wounding 29 others.

The massive blast ... (More on P4)...(24)

## UK Minister Visits Rwanda to Strengthen Bilateral Ties

KIGALI - The British minister for the Department for International Development (DFID) arrived in the Rwandan capital Kigali on Monday to further cement bilateral relations with the small central African country.

Upon his arrival, James Wharton, travelled to Musanze district, Northern Province, where he met with the governor of the province and the district mayor, as well as toured UK-funded development and social protection programs.

Wharton is visiting Rwanda for the first time since he took office in July this year.

According to a statement from the UK High Commission, the visit will focus on areas of mutual interest between the two countries, including poverty reduction, education, trade and investment. The trip is viewed as a positive step towards improving trade and economic cooperation between the two nations.

During his visit, Wharton, who oversees development aid in Africa, will hold bilateral talks with several Rwanda government officials.

"I am looking forward to seeing firsthand the remarkable progress that Rwanda has made over the last twenty years. I am proud that the UK has been able to support Rwanda on this journey - contributing to its achievement of lifting over 1.5 million people out of poverty in recent years," said Wharton in a statement. He stated that UK plans to maintain its commitment to support Rwanda and the region for mutual interest between the two parties. (Xinhua)

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### China, India Agree to Step up Counterterrorism Cooperation

BEIJING - China and India on Tuesday held their first dialogue on counterterrorism and security.

The two sides exchanged opinions on the international and regional security situation and their respective anti-terrorism systems, mechanisms and legislation.

They also reached consensus on measures to strengthen cooperation and to jointly deal with security threats, according to a document issued after the meeting.

The dialogue was jointly chaired by Wang Yongqing, secretary-general of the Commission for Political and Legal Affairs of the Communist Party of China Central Committee, and R.N.

Ravi, chairman of Joint Intelligence Committee of India.

In his talks with Ravi, Meng Jianzhu, head of the Commission for Political and Legal Affairs of the CPC Central Committee, commended stable progress in Sino-Indian ties. He said terrorism is a common enemy of the global community, adding that strengthened counterterrorism cooperation between China and India was conducive to the interests of the people of both countries.

He voiced hope that the two sides could put to action counterterrorism collaboration and protect regional security and that of the two countries. (Xinhua)

### Pakistani Forces Complete Major Anti-Terror Operations: Spokesman

ISLAMABAD - Pakistani security forces have completed major operations against the armed groups in the country, the military said Tuesday.

The army spokesman Lt. Gen. Asim Bajwa told a news conference in Peshawar that North Waziristan has been cleared of the militants and the repatriation of all displaced persons will also be completed in November this year.

Bajwa, who attended a special operational meeting presided over by the Army Chief Gen. Raheel Sharif, said the forces are now mainly

focusing on the border management with Afghanistan to curb the illegal cross-border movement.

He said nearly 20 check posts have been set up along the Afghan border and raised paramilitary the Frontier Corps.

Pakistan and Afghanistan have around 2,600 km of border, mostly porous, and the militants would earlier take advantage of the weak border control.

"Border management will only be effective if Afghanistan also plays a responsible role," Bajwa said. Talking about the air ... (More on P4)...(25)

### Path to Syria Peace Not a Military One: Iranian Official

TEHRAN - Since the beginning of the conflict in Syria, Iran has always believed that the Syrian

nation must decide about the future of the country, says a foreign ministry official. Iranian Deputy Foreign Minister for Arab and African Affairs Hossein Jaber Ansari made the remarks on Monday during an IRIB interview.

"The crisis in Syria has been going on for over five years, one of the reasons behind the sluggish peace process is that some countries believe that it has a military solution, but Iran has, since the beginning, believed that a military solution will reach nowhere and that there is

no path but that chosen by the people of Syria," he said.

He said certain countries are responsible for turning the crisis in Syria into a multilateral problem, and they are still pursuing a military solution, adding that another obstacle to resolving the crisis is the number of players in the situation. Jaber Ansari went on to condemn a US attack the killed dozens of Syrian government troops in the country's eastern province of Dayr al-Zawr. He stressed that the US's explanation that it had mistakenly killed around 80 government troops battling Daesh was unacceptable. (Presstv)

### Turkmenistan Intensifies Oil Exploration

ASHGABAT - The Turkmenoil State Concern continues to drill the first ultra-deep exploratory well in the history of Turkmenistan to search for new hydrocarbon fields on the Uzynada prospective area (south-west of the country), said the message of the Oil and Gas Complex of Turkmenistan.

The project depth of the well is 7,150 meters.

"To date, the drillers reached a depth of 4,500 meters: technical pipe fixed with cement mortar has been established at this depth," the message said.

The drilling rig and ZJ70

DB brand equipment produced in China is used during the work.

The Turkmenoil State Concern last year brought oil production in total to 5,314,547 million tons, which is significantly more than was planned. In general, the overhaul of 679 wells was carried out during the reporting period, and Turkmen fuel and energy complex received nearly 630,000 tons of additional oil. Earlier, a number of exploratory oil and gas wells were drilled on the new areas of Gamyshlyja, Korpeje, Altynguyi and Ekizak in Turkmenistan. (Trend)