Merkel Does Not See EU Expanding

BERLIN - German Chancellor Angela Merkel does not expect the European Union to open negotiations with Turkey, after they have already concluded a set of policy areas with the bloc in March. Merkel has said that saidoppel proposed membership talks with the following NATO member and reported that this would be the last major discussion before the upcoming presidential elections. Merkel did not say which country was the NATO member.

New concern comes as the election of President Recep Tayyip Erdogan, who won a four-year term in a vote earlier this month, is set to play a key role in strengthening Ankara's concerns about its response to a failed coup in July. Merkel has said that she would not support membership talks with Turkey in any case.

Sanctions on North Korea on Wednesday.

The 15-member council unanimously imposed new sanctions on North Korea on Wednesday. The council added to its existing blacklist more than 60,000 people who are suspected of violating UN sanctions and who could be involved in the country's nuclear and missile programs.

Elna Chao as the secretary of transportation.

President-elect Donald Trump nominated Elaine Chao as the secretary of transportation, a position in charge of overseeing U.S. roads, highways, tunnels, airports, and railroads.

The transportation secretary needs to be confirmed by the Senate. President Trump is expected to announce the nomination as early as Thursday.

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Rural areas remain under threat from Islamic State's last major city.

Islamic State's last major city remains under threat from government forces. The city is close to the front lines and remains a key strategic asset.

Iran will increase enrichment to 190 SWU if JCPOA Breached: MP

TEHRAN: Iran will increase enrichment to 190 SWU if it feels the Islamic Republic's interests are not respected in the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA), a member of the Iranian Parliament's National Security and Foreign Policy Committee, Ahmad Vahidi, said.

Pakistan's First Production and Entertainment Conference will Kick off on Dec 3

KARACHI: The first production and entertainment conference will kick off on December 3. The conference aims to promote the film industry in Pakistan and provide a platform for various stakeholders to showcase their talents.

Turkmenistan Appoints Ambassador to Luxembourg

CARASU - Turkmenistan's President Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedov named his Uzbek counterpart Shavkat Mirziyoev as ambassador in Luxembourg. The appointment was announced in a statement released by the Presidential press service.

Uzbekistan, Russia Sign Agreement

TASHKENT - The Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Affairs Minister of Uzbekistan, Abdurakhim Abyzov, and his Russian counterpart, Sergey Lavrov, signed a memorandum of understanding on security cooperation.

MPEs Approve EU Help Scheme for Growth Enhancing Reforms

The European Commission is expected to approve a help scheme for growth-enhancing reforms that was adopted by the European Parliament in July. The scheme aims to support member states in implementing structural reforms and growth-enhancing policies.

MPE is short for Member of the Parliament.