Trade Rep Brings "America First" Policy to Asia-Pacific Summit

Donald Trump's new trade envoy, Robert Lighthizer, made his first face-to-face meeting with some of his counterparts at the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) countries in Vietnam. His round of the biggest trade meeting since his members account for 60% of the world's trade. Lighthizer and Japan's economy, trade and industry minister Hiro- seiko Sadakuni agreed on strengthening bilateral cooperation, a statement of the US side representation said.

In particular, both sides agreed to strengthen cooperation, especially in common concerns such as fight against violent extremism and border security. (More on P.21)

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US Defense Chief Champions Ways to Tackle Nuclear Issue in Korean Peninsula

WASHINGTON - U.S. Defense Secretary Jim Mattis warned on Friday that military solutions to the Korean Peninsula nuclear threat would be "tough" on the U.S. and the world organization, including China and North Korea. "Our effort is to work in with the UN, work with China, work with Japan, work with South Korea to try to find a way out of this situation," said Mattis here at a Pentagon briefing.

Tension has remained high on the Korean Peninsula over the past months, and the DPRK over the U.S. threat to stage an "unpredictable" military exercise.

Imports from Warring Sides: Trump Renegotiates Two Top US-Military Leaders: Pentagon

WASHINGTON - Russian President Donald Trump is expected to meet with U.S. and Russian military leaders in Washington on Wednesday, according to a senior U.S. defense official. The meeting will be part of a broader bilateral meeting between the two leaders.

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WASHINGTON - President Donald Trump on Friday announced he had fired the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and his number two, replacing them with two former generals to lead the sprawling military command.

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