

Immigration Canada Site Crashes as Americans Seek to Emigrate

OTTAWA - The website of Canada's immigration ministry crashed as many Americans sought to emigrate to their northern neighbor to escape a Donald Trump presidency. Access to the site became progressively more difficult during Tuesday evening as the Republican candidate picked up key states essential to winning the White House over Democrat Hillary Clinton. The site displayed an error message at 11pm Tuesday (0400 GMT Wednesday) when the swing state of Florida went to Trump, a major step toward the 270 elec-



toral votes he needed to succeed President Barack Obama. The immigration website explains the steps to take and the criteria necessary to be eligible for residency in the country or for Canadian

nationality. Americans in recent months had vowed to decamp to Canada, led by the Liberal government of Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, if the US mogul were elected. Canadian real estate agencies and some regions with sparse populations have used the election to launch marketing campaigns. Early this year, when Trump was just one candidate among a dozen Republicans, the island of Cape Breton in Nova Scotia on Canada's east coast, offered to welcome Americans who wanted to avoid a Trump presidency. (AFP)

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China Expects to Work with New US Administration

BEIJING - China said Wednesday it expected to make joint efforts with the new U.S. government to maintain the sustained, healthy and stable growth of China-U.S. relations to benefit people in both countries and across the world. Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesperson Lu Kang made the remarks at a routine press briefing.

efforts with the United States to promote world peace and stability. China-U.S. bilateral trade has brought benefits to the two countries, Lu said, adding that trade volume had surged from over 2 billion U.S. dollars in the 1970s to more than 500 billion U.S. dollars last year. China became the largest trading partner of the United States in 2015. "During the U.S. presidential election campaign, there were ... (More on P4)...(22)

Iran Urges Trump to Review U.S. Mideast Policies

TEHRAN - Iran's Foreign Ministry spokesman Bahram Qasemi said Wednesday that the upcoming U.S. administration should review its policies in the Middle East. "The next U.S. government's practical policies are important for the Iranian people, as the U.S. government's action will be the criterion to evaluate Washington policies," he said. The U.S. interference in regional countries' domestic affairs is a key factor which increased violence and extremism in the Middle East, Qasemi was quoted as saying by official IRNA news agency.

necessitates an urgent review of U.S. policies, he added. "The Iranian people and the Islamic republic have had bitter experiences about U.S. policies in the past decades," he said, urging Donald Trump as the U.S. president elect to think of amending U.S. policies vis-a-vis Iran. In addition, Dr. Foad Izadi, a research fellow at the Faculty of World Studies in Tehran University, touched upon the idiom of "buying politicians" in the United States, saying that, for the first time in the history of the U.S. presidential elections, Trump drew upon the fact that rich people in his country "could buy politicians" for their political and economic interests. (Xinhua)

Vladimir Putin Congratulates Donald Trump on Victory

MOSCOW - Russian President Vladimir Putin has sent a telegram to congratulate U.S. President-elect Donald Trump on his victory over Hillary Clinton. According to a statement from the Kremlin Wednesday, Putin said he hoped the "crisis" in U.S.-Russia relations would come to an end, and the countries would work together to resolve international challenges. The Kremlin said: "In a telegram, Putin expressed hope toward joint work to lift Russian-U.S. relations

from the state of crisis, as well as to address the pressing issues of the international agenda, and the search for effective responses to global security challenges." The Russian President said he looked forward to engaging in constructive dialogue with Washington, based on mutual respect. "It is important to act according to the principles of equality, mutual respect and taking



account of each other's positions," Putin said. Earlier on Wednesday, Sergei Glazyev, one of Putin's advisers, said relations between Russia and the U.S. would be reset following Trump's victory. "The Americans objectively ... (More on P4)...(15)

Iraqi Forces Clear Areas Freed from IS in Eastern Mosul

MOSUL - Iraqi security forces on Wednesday completely cleared the districts freed earlier in the week from the Islamic State (IS) militants in eastern Mosul, a security source said. The commandos of the Counter-Terrorism Service (CTS) have ended operations to clear the districts of al-Zahraa, al-Samah, Kirkukli, al-Intisar, Malayin and Khdraa in eastern Mosul after several days of fierce clashes with IS militants, killing dozens of them and de-

stroying many of the vehicles, the source from the CTS told Xinhua on condition of anonymity. The IS militants were using a complex network of tunnels dug earlier under the city, the source said, adding that the extremist militants also used the civilians as human shields as they prevent them from moving from the battleground. In the coming days, the troops will push further into the eastern districts of the city, including ... (More on P4)...(16)

Syrian Army Makes 'Significant Gains' in Aleppo

ALEPPO -The Syrian army says it has taken a strategic district of Aleppo in what would mark the most important advance in the divided city by the government and its allies in weeks. However, anti-government fighters say the battle is not over. The 1070 Apartments district is located on the southwestern outskirts of Aleppo and lies alongside the government's corridor into the parts of the city that it controls. The Syrian Observatory for Human

Rights (SOHR), a UK-based group that reports on the war, said government forces and their allies seized full control of 1070 Apartments on Tuesday, calling it the most significant gain by the government in Aleppo since September. A Syrian military source said the army and allied forces were in complete control of the area and surrounding hills. They have made repeated efforts to force opposition fighters from the ... (More on P4)...(17)

Europe Needs to Do More after Trump's Victory: Belgian FM

BRUSSELS - Donald Trump's victory in the U.S. presidential elections is "a signal for Europe to do more," said Belgian foreign minister Didier Reynders. In an interview with local broadcaster VRT, Reynders said the election of Trump offered opportunities for Europe to sound a stronger voice in the world. "There is a trend towards protectionism, rejection of immigration. It's not only in the U.S.," he said, adding that the trend also showed in other scenarios like Britain's secession from the

European Union (EU), and the difficult negotiations of an EU-Canada free trade deal. "Even under (President) Obama there was a trend towards America folding in on itself. We've already said it's time for Europe to do more in NATO. The trend will possibly be even more pronounced under President Trump," the minister said.



"The EU must now be stronger in defense policy and foreign affairs," he said. "We need a stronger Europe." Reynders said Europe now had to await the decisions of the new U.S. administration, and stand ready before challenges. (Xinhua)

Turkey Urges Trump to Extradite Gulen for 'New Page' in Bilateral Ties

ANKARA - Turkish Prime Minister Binali Yildirim urged Donald Trump to extradite Fetullah Gulen when congratulated Trump on winning the U.S. presidency, the Turkish Daily Sabah reported Wednesday. Yildirim noted that "a new page" would be opened in U.S.-Turkish relations if the Gulenist terror group (FETO) leader is extradited to Turkey. Gulen is considered the mastermind behind the failed July 15 coup attempt. President Recep Tayyip Erdogan also expressed his hope that Trump's election would benefit American people. "I hope the choice ... (More on P4)...(18)

Over 16,000 Children Still with Armed Groups in South Sudan: UNICEF

JUBA - The UN Children's Fund (UNICEF) on Wednesday said there are still over 16,000 South Sudanese children involved in active combat among the various armed groups in the war-torn country despite the release of about 2,000 children since 2013. UNICEF South Sudan spokesman Timothy Irwin told Xinhua in an interview in Juba that they estimate more than 800 children have been recruited by armed groups in 2016. "We estimate that there are still more than 16,000 children associated with armed groups in South Sudan. We estimate that more than 800 children have been recruited by armed groups in 2016," Irwin revealed. The South Sudan conflict has been raging on since outbreak in December 2013 between Sudan People's... (More on P4)...(20)

Brussels Presents Proposal for New Anti-Dumping Regime

BRUSSELS - The European Commission Wednesday presented its long-awaited proposal for a new methodology for anti-dumping investigations, linked to the scheduled expiration of current "non-market status" treatment toward third countries including China. European Commission Vice President Jyrki Katainen and Trade Commissioner Cecilia Malmstrom announced the new methodology at a press conference in Brussels. "Competition is good, but global trade must stick to certain rules. We must make sure that we have an effective and clear rulebook when things go



wrong," said Malmstrom. "We are proposing to modify anti-dumping and anti-subsidy regulation, maintaining a similar level of anti-dumping duty as today," she added. The proposals will be discussed among EU trade ministers on Friday and EU parliament will soon make a decision, Malmstrom noted. The new regime is expected to scrap a list of "non-market economies", but European Union (EU) officials said that it would not grant any country the ... (More on P4)...(19)

EU Adds Russian Lawmakers from Crimea to Sanctions List

BRUSSELS - The European Union on Wednesday added to a sanctions list six Russian lawmakers elected into the State Duma, Russia's lower house of parliament, from Crimea and the city of Sevastopol. "The EU has not recognized the illegal annexation of Crimea and Sevastopol by the Russian Federation and therefore does not recognize the holding of elections in the Crimean peninsula," said an EU press release. A total of 152 people and 37 entities are

now on the EU sanctions list. Restrictive measures, which were introduced in March 2014 and will last till March 2017, include an asset freeze and a travel ban. The Russian Foreign Ministry said Wednesday that it will take appropriate response measures to the EU move, Russia's news website Sputnik reported. "We perceive restrictive EU measures against the residents of Crimea and Sevastopol as unwarranted collective punishment of this ... (More on P4)...(21)

Norway's PM Calls for U.S. Leadership in 'Difficult' Issues

OSLO - Norway's Prime Minister Erna Solberg on Wednesday urged the United States to take leadership on many "difficult" international issues as she spoke on Donald Trump's U.S. presidential election victory. "The international community is facing a number of challenges, and there are many difficult issues that can only be resolved by working together. Here, we need the leadership of the United States," Solberg told a press conference. The Norwegian prime minister noted that cooperation with Europe and the United States was the "main pillar" of the Nordic country's foreign and security policy. Solberg said it was "in the United States' interest" to hold up the good cooperation with NATO, although some of Trump's comments on U.S. commitment to the alliance had made some allies worry. She said Norway, a founding member of the U.S.-led NATO alliance, had always given priority to its cooperation with the United States "through changing times and different administrations." "The United States is our closest ally and our cooperation is based on shared values and interests," Solberg said. "We will seek to cooperate constructively with Donald Trump and with his administration once it is in place." "The Norwegian government's primary aim is to safeguard Norway's interests. The United States is important for the Norwegian economy, for our jobs, and for the security of our country," she said. (Xinhua)

Gen. Raheel Vows to Restore Peace for Citizens of Karachi

ISLAMABAD - Pakistan's Army Chief General Raheel Sharif on Wednesday vowed that the law enforcement agencies and Sindh government will continue to strive till the "complete restoration of peace for common citizen of Karachi". Gen Raheel said this during his visit to Corps Headquarters Karachi where attended the on-going exercise "Resilient Response" of Southern Command, read a statement issued by the military's media wing. He also presided over a security conference which was attended by the corps commander, Director General ISI, Director General Military Intelligence, Director General Military Operations and DG Rangers. According to the state-

Turkmenistan Aims at Drawing Foreign Capital

ASHGABAT - Turkmenistan's investment policy is aimed at drawing foreign capital, Turkmen President Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedov said in a message addressed to the participants of the eighth International Investment Forum, which opened in the Avaza national tourist zone November 9 and last till November 10. According to the message, the main task of the investment forum is to diversify and increase the competitiveness of local economy, introduce innovative technologies in the industry. The Turkmen Ministry of Economy and Development and Chamber of Commerce and Industry are the organizers of the event, the message said. "The beneficial investment projects, in particular, those on the formation of innovative economy in the country, are supported," President Berdimuhamedov said. According to the message, the national program of Turkmenistan's social-economic development envisages the modernization of the national industrial complex, the formation of the economy based on the latest technologies. (Trend)