



BERLIN (AP) -- Low-lying areas of a village in northwestern Greenland remain evacuated as villagers and local authorities monitor a vast iceberg for signs it could move closer or break apart, threatening the remote settlement. Kenneth Elkjaer, a journalist with Greenland public broadcaster KNR, said Sunday the iceberg is about 500 - 600 meters offshore and "everybody is waiting to see what happens to the weather." On Friday, 33 of Innarsuit's 169 residents had to move to higher ground due to concerns the iceberg could flip or chunks of it could break off, causing a large wave that might flood parts of the village. Elkjaer said in an email that "police and local authorities will evaluate the situation again tomorrow." Earthquakes and tsunamis have created major floods in Greenland in recent years.

PORT-AU-PRINCE (Reuters) -- Haitian Prime Minister Jack Guy Lafontant resigned as he faced a non-confidence vote after a move to lower fuel subsidies prompted days of violent protests in the impoverished Caribbean nation. In a speech to the Lower Chamber that was broadcast live on television, Lafontant defended his tenure but said that Haiti's President Jovenel Moise had accepted his resignation. "As I told you, I am at service to the Republic," Lafontant said. Earlier this month, the Haitian government announced a reduction of fuel subsidies as part of an agreement with the International Monetary Fund (IMF). The move translated to a 38 percent rise in gasoline prices and 47 percent hike for diesel, triggering protests during which demonstrators barricaded roads, looted stores and set cars ablaze in the capital, Port-au-Prince. The unrest caused embassies to close and airlines to suspend flights to Haiti for days.

TOKYO (Kyodo) -- A heat wave had killed at least six people and hospitalized more than 1,500 others across the nation Saturday as a three-day weekend got underway, a Kyodo News tally showed. The deaths occurred in six prefectures: Toyama, Shizuoka, Tottori, Hiroshima, Oita and Kumamoto, which saw temperatures between 33.5 and 37.4. Elsewhere, Kyoto, Gifu and Mie prefectures saw the mercury top 38. Osaka led the way with 156 people hospitalized for heat exhaustion, followed by 125 in Aichi and 102 in Chiba and Tokyo. In Shizuoka, a man in his 90s who was found lying outside his home was confirmed dead at a hospital. Another senior, 86, died at a hospital after collapsing near his home. In Okayama, where more than 1,000 volunteers showed up to help clean up flooded houses and remove debris caused by torrential rain and mudslides, at least 48 people were treated for heat-related maladies. Of the Meteorological Agency's 927 observation points nationwide, 613 logged highs of at least 30, and 161 logged temperatures over 35. The agency warned that temperatures will remain high throughout the week.

NIAMEY (Reuters) -- Algeria has deported nearly 400 African migrants trying to reach Europe, sending them back over the Sahara desert into neighboring Niger, the UN migration agency (IOM) and Niger said Sunday. The IOM and European Union are intensifying efforts to return African migrants home, after thousands have died making the dangerous crossing to Europe across the Mediterranean in overcrowded boats. Many get stuck before ever reaching Africa's northern coast, either in Libya, where they suffer slavery and abuse at the hands of militias, or Algeria. IOM operations officer Livia Manente told Reuters in an email that the group of 391 migrants from 16 west and central African countries had arrived in the Nigerian town of Assamaka on Friday on about 20-30 vehicles, after being stopped while heading to work in various Algerian cities.

NAIROBI (AP) -- Former U.S. President Barack Obama arrived in Kenya Sunday, the country of his father's birth, his first visit to this East African country since leaving office. Obama is in Kenya to help launch the sports and training center founded by his half-sister, Auma Obama, through her foundation Sauti Kuu. After landing in the capital, Obama met President Uhuru Kenyatta at the official residence, according to Kenyatta's twitter account. Obama was also expected to meet Raila Odinga, the opposition leader now working with Kenyatta's government. Odinga and Kenyatta on March 9 pledged to work together, ending months of turmoil following a disputed presidential election that was nullified by the Supreme Court and a rerun which the opposition boycotted.

MADRID (Politico) -- Hundreds in Spain are protesting the removal of the remains of Francisco Franco from a controversial monument built under the fascist dictator's direction. Spain's new socialist prime minister Pedro Sanchez, who took office in early June, promised to remove Franco's remains from the state-funded mausoleum, Valle de los Caídos, or Valley of the Fallen, north of Madrid. According to a report in Spanish newspaper El Pais, protesters stood at the mausoleum, chanting Franco's name, as well as slogans like "Catalonia is Spain" and "Spaniards, yes, refugees, no."

Trump Advises PM May to Sue EU Over Brexit



British Prime Minister Theresa May and U.S. President Donald Trump attend a joint news conference after their bilateral meeting at Chequers in Aylesbury, Britain, July 13, 2018.

LONDON (Reuters) -- British Prime Minister Theresa May said U.S. President Donald Trump had previously advised her to sue the European Union as part of her Brexit strategy, disclosing a piece of advice Trump said last week she had ignored.

"He told me I should sue the EU," May told BBC television. "Sue the EU. Not go into negotiations - sue them." May pointed out that Trump, who was visiting Britain, had also advised that now she was in a negotiation, she should not walk away.

"I want you to be able to sit down to negotiate the best deal for Britain," May said.

Trump said in an interview published on Friday that May had not followed his advice on Brexit - one of a number of

comments that were seen as a damning critique of her exit plans and added fuel to the raging debate over May's plans to leave the EU.

The president later used a news conference with May to play down his earlier remarks, saying he understood why she had found the advice "a little bit tough". Trump also said the United States and Britain could secure a "great" post-Brexit trade deal.

Britons voted to leave the EU in a referendum in June 2016 and the issue has dominated the political landscape since.

With less than nine months to go before the country is due to leave the EU next March, the political elite and business leaders remain deeply divided over what form Brexit should take.

India Arrests 25 for Lynching Man Over WhatsApp Rumor



A woman shouts during a protest against the mob lynching of Muslims who were accused of possessing beef, in Mumbai on July 3, 2017.

NEW DELHI (AFP) -- Indian police said Sunday they have arrested 25 people after a man was killed by a mob in the country's latest lynching over suspicion of child kidnapping sparked by rumors on WhatsApp.

The men were arrested over the murder of 27-year-old Muhammad Azam who was attacked along with two friends by a 2,000-strong mob in southern Karnataka state's Bidar district late Friday.

Azam's friends were critically injured in the assault that came days after the Facebook-owned messaging service published advertisements in Indian newspapers offering tips to curb the spread of fake information on its platform.

More than 20 people have been lynched in India after being accused of child abduction in the last two months, according to media reports.

Police said Azam and his companions were returning to neighboring Hyderabad city after visiting their friend in Bidar when they stopped midway and offered chocolates to local children.

"One of them had bought chocolates from Qatar and tried to offer it to the children as a token of affection," Bidar deputy police chief V. N. Patil told AFP.

But one among the group of children started crying, alerting the elders who accused the men of being child kidnappers amid rife social media rumors about child kidnapping rings in the area, the officer said.

Patil said the three managed to flee from the spot but were attacked by a much larger mob a few kilometers ahead after locals alerted nearby villages via Whatsapp.

Their car flipped after hitting a roadblock placed by the angry mob before they were dragged out of the vehicle and beaten with sticks and stones.

Three policemen were injured in rescue attempts as the mob rampaged for nearly an hour.

The attack comes after five people were lynched by a mob in neighboring Maharashtra state on July 1.

The mob had spotted the victims talking to a child at a market, triggering allegations of child abduction.

The spate of lynchings started last May in eastern Jharkhand state after rumors on WhatsApp about child kidnappers led to the lynching of seven men.

The rumors have since resurfaced, with 21 deaths reported in dozens of attacks across the country mostly targeting non-locals.

India accused Whatsapp of failing to curb false information on its platform.

Angry Protests Hit Chicago After Police Shoot Dead Man



Officers from the Chicago Police Department confront an angry crowd at the scene of a fatal shooting by a police officer on July 14, 2018.

CHICAGO (CNN) -- Protesters chanted and threw rocks at Chicago police Saturday night after an officer shot and killed a man in the city's South Side hours earlier, authorities said.

At least four people were arrested and several officers were injured, police said.

The incident started as several police officers were patrolling the city's South Side on foot. They spotted a man "who they thought might be

armed" and approached him, Chicago Police Chief of Patrol Fred Waller told reporters.

The man became combative and pushed officers' arms away before reaching for a weapon on his waist band, Waller said.

At some point during the confrontation, the unidentified man was shot, police said. He was taken to a local hospital, where he was pronounced dead.

Police recovered a weapon at the

scene but the man did not fire his gun at officers, Waller said.

Residents had asked for more police presence in the area where the shooting took place, Waller added. Hours after the shooting, dozens of people gathered to protest the man's death.

At least four people have been arrested and several officers were injured with rocks and bottles, Chicago police spokesman Anthony Guglielmi tweeted. It's unclear what their charges are.

Protesters were seen approaching and shouting at the police officer cordon.

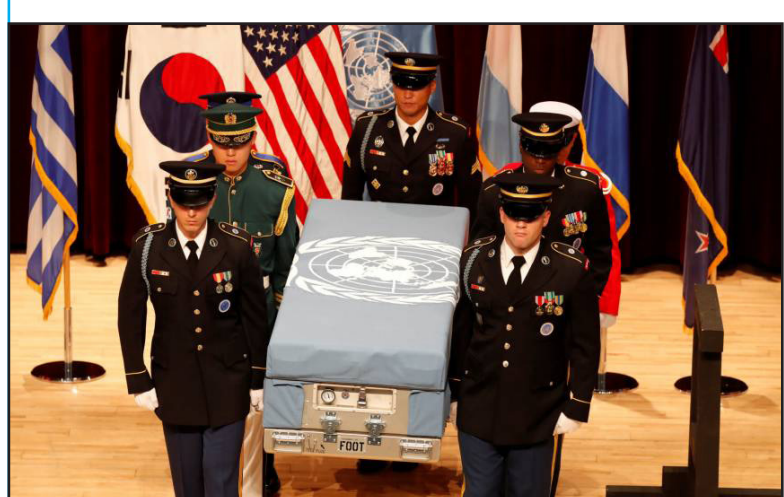
"Who do you protect? Who do you serve?" they shouted at officers as the protest continued into the night.

In a statement, the city's Civilian Office of Police Accountability said it's committed to a thorough, objective and unbiased investigation of the shooting. It asked for the public's patience and cooperation.

The officers involved will be placed on routine administrative duties for 30 days, authorities said.

Chicago residents have taken to the streets to protest police-involved shootings before. In 2015, protesters blocked Interstate 94 after police released a graphic dash-cam video showing an officer shooting Laquan McDonald, 17.

U.S., North Korea Discuss Returning Soldiers' Remains



Honor guards of South Korea and the United Nations Command (UNC) carry boxes containing the remains of two servicemen killed during the 1950-53 Korean War, during a mutual repatriation ceremony at Seoul National Cemetery in Seoul, South Korea, on July 13, 2018.

SEOUL (Reuters) -- U.S. and North Korean military officials met on the inter-Korean border on Sunday to discuss the return of remains of U.S. soldiers killed in the 1950-53 Korean War, the first time in nine years that generals from the two sides have held talks, South Korea's Yonhap news agency said.

The repatriation of U.S. remains was one of the agreements reached during an unprecedented summit between U.S. President Donald Trump and North Korean leader Kim Jong Un in June in Singapore.

U.S. Secretary of State Mike

Pompeo unveiled the plan for talks after visiting Pyongyang this month, touting it as one of key issues on which the two sides had made progress, though the North accused his delegation of making "gangster-like" demands in connection with denuclearization during the trip.

Pompeo initially said the two sides had agreed to hold talks on U.S. remains on Thursday but no North Korea representatives showed up on the border. North Korea then proposed meeting U.S. military officials on Sunday, U.S. and South Korean officials have said.

South Korea's Yonhap news agency, citing South Korean government and U.S. military sources, said the negotiations had begun at 0100 GMT at the border village of Panmunjom in the Demilitarised Zone (DMZ) separating the two Koreas.

Three vehicles of U.S. forces in South Korea, flying UN flags, were spotted heading to the border earlier in the day, Yonhap said.

Michael Minihan, an Air Force major general at U.S. Forces Korea who doubles as chief of staff for the UN Command (UNC), was representing the U.S. side and his counterpart is expected to be a military commander stationed in the DMZ, the news agency said.

North Korea and the United States conducted joint operations to recover the remains of U.S. soldiers from 1996 to 2005 but their relations soured as Pyongyang accelerated its nuclear program. In 2013, the North severed its hotline with the UNC, declaring the armistice that ended the Korean War null and void.

The Pentagon has said North Korean officials have indicated in the past they have the remains of as many as 200 U.S. troops. But a U.S. military official familiar with the matter said last month it was not clear what North Korea might hand over.

U.S. forces brought some 100 wooden coffins into the DMZ last month, which will be used to transport the remains, according to Yonhap.

Refugees Stranded at Sea as EU Bickering Continues

ROME (AP) -- Another day's worth of food and beverages was being sent Sunday to a pair of military ships off Sicily as Italy waited for more European nations to pledge to take a share of the hundreds of migrants on board before allowing the asylum-seekers to step off onto Italian soil.

Germany agreed to accept 50 of the migrants, following similar offers by fellow European Union members France and Malta extended Saturday.

Italian Interior Minister Matteo Salvini has vowed to prohibit further disembarking in Italy of migrants who were rescued while crossing the Mediterranean Sea unless the burden is shared by other EU countries. Salvini, who leads the right-wing League party in Italy's populist coalition government, told reporters Sunday the "aim was for brotherly re-distribution" of the 450 rescued passengers on the two military ships.

"The final objective is to have no one depart" from Libya on human smugglers' boats, Salvini said Sunday.

More than 600,000 migrants were rescued in the central Mediterranean and brought to Italian territory in the last few years. Many were economic migrants ineligible for asylum. Since their home countries often

don't facilitate repatriation, Italy has been left to shelter many of them, although thousands have slipped out of Italy to seek work or relatives in northern Europe.

Finding takers for all of the asylum-seekers on the military ships waiting off Sicily, in the grips of a heat wave, could be a long process.

Baby food, milk and juice were among the provisions being delivered Sunday so the people aboard will have necessities for another 24 hours.

A fishing boat, launched Friday from Libya by human traffickers and crowded with some 450 migrants, sailed to tiny Linosa island off Sicily, passing through both Libya's and Malta's search-and-rescue areas.

Off sparsely populated Linosa, a fishing European border agency Frontex and an Italian border police boat took aboard the migrants and brought them to waters outside the Sicilian port of Pozzallo.

Several passengers suffering from dehydration, pregnant women and some babies have been taken ashore in Pozzallo. Italian media said a woman weighing 35 kilos after months of malnourishment in Libya was among them.

Sky TG24 TV reported that many of the rescued passengers originally are from Eritrea.