

## *Thanks to Trump, the U.S. hasn't admitted a single refugee since September*

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October was the first full month in at least 18 years in which the United States did not admit any refugees.



*Image description: Thanks to Trump, the U.S. hasn't admitted a single refugee since September*

## *2020 Vision: If a single speech can shake up the Democratic race, it might happen in Iowa*

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Will any of this year's candidates pull an Obama at the newly named Liberty and Justice Celebration?



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## *Ex-officer gets 12 years in naked man's fatal shooting*

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A former Georgia police officer convicted of aggravated assault and other crimes in the fatal shooting of an unarmed, naked man was sentenced Friday to 12 years in prison. Robert "Chip" Olsen was responding to a call of a naked man behaving erratically at an Atlanta-area apartment complex in March 2015 when he killed 26-year-old Anthony Hill, a black Air Force veteran who'd been diagnosed with bipolar disorder and PTSD. Olsen, who is white, was convicted of one count of aggravated assault, two counts of violating his oath of office and one count of making a false statement.



*Image description: Ex-officer gets 12 years in naked man's fatal shooting*

## *Who Wore It Better? 10 Names Shared by Automakers*

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*Image description: Who Wore It Better? 10 Names Shared by Automakers*

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## *Maria Fire broke out minutes after utility company re-energized high-voltage power line*

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Southern California Edison says it turned power back on minutes before the Maria Fire erupted nearby in Ventura County



*Image description: Maria Fire broke out minutes after utility company re-energized high-voltage power line*

## *Hollow building becomes center of Iraq's uprising*

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The skeleton of a high-rise building overlooking Baghdad's central Tahrir Square known as the Turkish Restaurant has become a temporary home and a bustling center for protesters staging demonstrations against Iraq's ruling elites. Dressed in combat trousers and wearing an Iraqi flag as a cape, the 35-year-old is the leader of the group, made up of 20-odd young men who occupy a corner of the building's base. Groups of young men have occupied all 18 floors of the building, with its cramped unlit narrow staircases.



*Image description: Hollow building becomes center of Iraq's uprising*

## *What Would Happen If the Navy SEALs Fought Iran's Special Forces?*

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We have some idea of who would win.



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## *A Louisiana woman has been arrested for selling \$20 fake doctor's notes to students trying to skip class*

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The woman's master plan unraveled once the physician whose name was being used to sign off on the notes received complaints from the school board.



*Image description: A Louisiana woman has been arrested for selling \$20 fake doctor's notes to students trying to skip class*

## *A union for 28,000 American Airlines cabin crew has told Boeing's CEO its members are scared of getting back on the 737 Max*

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Lori Bassani, who leads the Association of Professional Flight Attendants, wrote to Boeing CEO Dennis Muilenburg about the 737 Max crisis.



*Image description: A union for 28,000 American Airlines cabin crew has told Boeing's CEO its members are scared of getting back on the 737 Max*

## *Greta Thunberg says meeting with Trump 'would be a waste of time'*

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*Link: <https://news.yahoo.com/greta-thunberg-trump-meeting-waste-of-time-ellen-show-145843540.html>*

The Swedish teenage climate activist says she wouldn't want to meet with the president even if given the opportunity.



*Image description: Greta Thunberg says meeting with Trump 'would be a waste of time'*

## *Andrew Yang's campaign has gone 'mainstream'*

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*Link: <https://news.yahoo.com/andrew-yangs-campaign-gone-mainstream-170906780.html>*

While some Democratic presidential candidates are cutting back on their campaigns, entrepreneur Andrew Yang is going all in, Politico reports. Yang, who as recently as April had fewer than 20 staff members on his campaign's payroll, now has 73 people running the show. "It's been like a startup but this startup has gone mainstream, about to go public, if you want to keep using the analogy," said Zach Graumann, Yang's campaign manager. "And frankly and I tell the team, 'we're just getting started.'" There's some big names now involved with the campaign, as well, lending more credence to Graumann's words. Devine, Mulvey, and Longabaugh -- a media consulting firm which worked for the 2016 campaign for Sen. Bernie Sanders (I-Vt.) but opted not to join forces again for 2020 over "differences in a creative vision" -- has shifted its services to the Yang campaign because he's "offering the most progressive ideas" among the Democratic candidates. They also don't think he's a flash in the pan. "We wouldn't have signed on with somebody we didn't think was a serious candidate," Mark Longabaugh said. "Yang has a good deal of momentum and there's a great deal of grassroots enthusiasm for his candidacy and that's what's driven it this far." Yang still faces numerous hurdles to really get back in the running, but the campaign surely thinks it's possible. Read more at Politico.

*Image description: Andrew Yang's campaign has gone 'mainstream'*

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## *House Intel Chair Schiff says impeachment transcripts could come next week*

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Adam Schiff, the chairman of the House Intelligence Committee, said Friday that the panels investigating impeachment could begin releasing transcripts of closed-door witness depositions early next week, part of an effort to move the investigation into public view and allow Americans to evaluate the evidence against President Trump.



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## *5 Killed, Several Injured in Shooting at Airbnb Halloween Party in California. Here's*

### *What to Know*

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The mass shooting at a Halloween party at an Airbnb in Orinda, Calif. left five people dead and several others

injured.



*Image description: 5 Killed, Several Injured in Shooting at Airbnb Halloween Party in California. Here's What to Know*

*This time, Southern California was prepared for wildfires. Here's how countless homes were saved*

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*Link: <https://news.yahoo.com/wildfires-ravage-california-again-heres-210252254.html>*

The winds roared again but Los Angeles and other Southern California cities were prepared as firefighters saved thousands of homes.



*Image description: This time, Southern California was prepared for wildfires. Here's how countless homes were saved*

*Barack Obama thinks 'woke' kids want purity. They don't: they want progress*

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The former president took black and progressive movements to task, without understanding his own failure to deliver change ? Call-out culture: how to get it right (and wrong)Former president Barack Obama speaks with actress, model, and activist Yara Shahidi during the Obama Foundation summit in Chicago, on 29 October. Photograph: Ashlee Rezin Garcia/APOn Tuesday, in Chicago, former president Barack Obama joined actress Yara Shahidi in a conversation with activists from his Obama Foundation program. Over the nearly 1.5-hour Obama Foundation summit event, the beloved political figure deployed his trademark charm and humor while discussing the challenges of movement politics. Media attention has focused on a particular part of the conversation ? Obama's criticism of call-out culture and what he perceived as an excessively strident activist left. ?We can't completely remake society in a minute,? Obama said, ?so we have to make some accommodations to the existing structures.?He added, ?This idea of purity and you're never compromised and you're always politically woke and all that stuff, you should get over that quickly. The world is messy. There are ambiguities. People who do really good stuff have flaws. People who you are fighting may love their kids and share certain things with you.?He then made a separate point about social media activism: ?If I tweet or hashtag about how you didn't do something right or used the wrong verb, I can sit back and feel pretty good about myself. ?Man you see how woke I was, I called you out.?? But ?that's not activism. That's not bringing about change.?On its face, these are fair remarks. During the session, both Obama and Shahidi drew from examples of the nonviolent civil rights movement of the early 1960s, which required enormous faith, patience and compromise from its activists in the face of threats to their lives and

livelihood. Today, as social justice activists' material conditions have relatively improved, they will encounter people in positions of power with wealth and access, and they have to learn to work with them on some level, Obama implied. And no, tweeting about a verb probably won't bring about change. However, we can't look at Obama's remarks in a vacuum. From 2016 as he prepared to exert his influence over who would be the next Democratic nominee to the present, Obama has often aimed his political critiques at youth-led, black and progressive movements. While upholding the necessity of nuance, Obama himself seems to force these movements into a box, cherry-picking anecdotes for a strawman: that these movements expect purity and demand perfection. > This idea of purity and you're never compromised and you're always politically woke? you should get over that. The world is messy. There are ambiguities > > Barack Obama

In an early instance of this ideological pattern, at a 2016 youth town hall in London, Obama spoke generally of Black Lives Matter while referring to the handful of activists who confronted the Democratic nominee Hillary Clinton for her role in criminalizing black youth: "Once you've highlighted an issue and brought it to people's attention then you can't just keep on yelling at them. And you can't refuse to meet because that might compromise the purity of your position. The value of social movements and activism is to get you at the table, get you in the room." A few months later in a Howard commencement address, with Chicago protests of the police killing of Laquan McDonald not far in the distance, he told the audience of mostly black students about his criminal justice reform as a state senator: "I can say this unequivocally: without at least the acceptance of the police organizations in Illinois, I could never have gotten those [criminal justice reform] bills passed." If you think that the only way forward is to be as uncompromising as possible, you will feel good about yourself, you will enjoy a certain moral purity, but you're not going to get what you want. And earlier this year, Obama again raised the amorphous specter of purity politics as people have embraced a leftward policy shift: "One of the things I do worry about sometimes among progressives in the United States is a certain kind of rigidity where we say, 'Uh, I'm sorry, this is how it's going to be' and then we start a 'circular firing squad', where you start shooting at your allies because one of them has strayed from purity on the issues." Obama has offered these platitudes without much evidence that progressives, Black Lives Matter activists or young voters expect purity. Impatience with the status quo is not purity. A consistent political project is not purity. And being patient has its limits. > For many Americans, the normalization of genuinely leftwing policies is providing the hope and change Obama campaigned on

You can gather from the general direction of Obama's career, from turning down a route in corporate law to his community organizing, that he has some commitment to social justice. However, his remarks indicate discomfort with more radical tactics in achieving it, reducing them to petulant zeal and not a legitimate strategy among the broad scope of tools needed to dismantle oppressive systems. While discussing Rosa Parks and Martin Luther King as examples of patient progress, he freezes them in time. He failed to note either King's or Parks's evolutions. Over time King became more radicalized and questioned integration. When Parks was forced to Detroit to retreat from the backlash against her bus boycott activism, she became a proponent of the Panthers' self-defense demands and identified Malcolm X as her personal hero. Obama also failed to discuss how, despite King's strategies negotiating with Lyndon Johnson to sign the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Congress waffled in passing further civil rights measures until the 1968 riots after King's assassination, when Congress was forced to swiftly pass the Fair Housing Act. Or go back further: despite the negotiations and patience of abolitionists in the 1800s, it was a steady stream of black uprisings, and an entire civil war, that gave abolition laws and the Emancipation Proclamation any teeth. Obama's fundamental problem is in confusing a strategy of pragmatism with the strategy. Pragmatic approaches can coexist with more radical politics. But Obama's pattern of dismissing radical demands altogether shows a serious unwillingness to appreciate the times. Obama is committed to a notion of reaching across the aisle that may have seemed necessary in 2012, but not so much in 2019. Americans in the throes of economic struggle and social oppression have been advised to hold their nose for so long that they're suffocating. The labor movement is experiencing more worker strikes now than in the past 40 years. We're in a 1968 moment, not 1963. But Obama has not accepted this evolution. As people demand universal policies for basic needs of shelter, food, freedom from police terror, and economic security, and when wealth inequality is the worst in a century, Obama has to reckon with his own questions. How is his form of calling out? scolding black, young and progressive movements? bringing about change? Is he part of the solution or part of the problem? For many Americans, the normalization of genuinely leftwing policies is providing the hope and



change Obama campaigned on. This is the time for him to finally help achieve it.



*Image description: Barack Obama thinks 'woke' kids want purity. They don't: they want progress*

### *Guard linked to beating had been subject of complaints*

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A guard accused in a lawsuit of beating a female inmate so severely she was left paralyzed had previously been accused of trading cigarettes for sex, insubordination, harassing inmates and other actions at a Florida prison, according to a news report. Despite the long history of accusations, the Lowell Correctional Institution in Ocala never fired Keith Turner and he had been promoted to lieutenant a few years ago, The Miami Herald reported. Cheryl Weimar said in a lawsuit that she was nearly beaten to death by four guards in August at the prison.

*Image description: Guard linked to beating had been subject of complaints*  
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### *UPDATE 1-El Salvador expels Venezuelan diplomats from the country*

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El Salvador said on Saturday it had ordered Venezuela's diplomats to leave the Central American country within 48 hours, arguing that the decision was in line with its position that Venezuelan President Nicolas Maduro is illegitimate. In a statement, the government said President Nayib Bukele recognized opposition leader Juan Guaido as Venezuela's interim president until free elections were held in the South American country.

*Image description: UPDATE 1-El Salvador expels Venezuelan diplomats from the country*  
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### *Low-Yield Nuclear Weapons Won't End the World*

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A recent video by Princeton University's Program on Science and Global Security, Plan A, suggests that the use of one low-yield non-strategic nuclear weapon, in a NATO-Russia conflict, would lead to the large scale use of strategic nuclear weapons and the death of more than 90 million people. While the video's makers deserve credit for its production quality and very ominous background music, the scenario they offer, while always possible, is highly unlikely.



*Image description: Low-Yield Nuclear Weapons Won't End the World*

## *To Shake Up Trump, Kim Jong Un Gets All Mystical?Then Launches Missiles*

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Photo Illustration by The Daily Beast/Korean Central News Agency/APFrom sacred Mount Paektu, the Korean peninsula's highest peak on the North's border with China, to the 10,000 spire-like pinnacles of Mount Kumgang just above the line with South Korea, Kim Jong Un has cast himself of late as the bold, fearless, iconic leader literally daring to ascend the highest peaks in pursuit of power over the divided country. There's nothing remotely subtle about the campaign that has pictured him on a white stallion riding through the early snows of another frigid winter on Mt. Paektu or striding up the slopes of Kumgang. It's all about projecting the image of a hero in a campaign of intimidation aimed at both the U.S. and South Korea in a climactic drive to get President Donald Trump and the South's President Moon Jae-in to yield at last to his demands. North Koreans Think Trump Admin Talks Are 'Sickening.' So Should You. And now Kim had added some very important missile tests to his message. In a sequence that clearly had been pre-scripted as the second act after those daring ascents, North Korean gunners test-fired what the North's Academy of Defense Science proudly described as "super-large multiple rocket launchers." Kim, having already appeared as a fit if somewhat portly outdoorsman, did not have to be standing by to press the button. While that image of the brave warrior dominated the state media, the academy reported "the perfection of the continuous fire system" as "verified through the test-fire to totally destroy with super-power the group target of the enemy and designated target area by surprise strike of the weapon system of super-large multiple rocket launchers." The ferocity of the test, at least as claimed, carried one especially disturbing message. That kind of firepower isn't for use against American or Japanese soil, but could devastate America's largest overseas base at Camp Humphreys, 40 miles south of Seoul, 60 miles below the Demilitarized Zone between the two Koreas. The base, no doubt shielded by all manner of sensors, missiles and other wizardry, has got to be a sitting duck for the North's increasingly advanced weaponry. Most of America's 28,500 troops in Korea, plus families and civilian employees, are now there after the closure of U.S. bases below the DMZ and withdrawal of the central headquarters for U.S. Forces Korea from the historic Yongsan base in Seoul. Nearby Osan Air Base is headquarters for the Seventh Air Force, also an easy target. "Megabase in Korea's Danger Zone," is the cover story in this week's Army Times magazine. The North Koreans "said they've been developing these weapons to be able to strike a 'fat target,'" David Maxwell, senior fellow at the Foundation for Defense of Democracies, who spent years in Korea as an army officer, is quoted as saying. "We assume that the 'fat target' is Camp Humphreys as well as Osan Air Base." Even as U.S. forces were moving into Humphreys, writes Kyle Rempfer, "North Korea has developed large caliber rockets and ballistic missiles as well as a nuclear capability" within range of the expanded 3,500-acre base. "North Korea's 300-millimeter multiple rocket launchers and new KN-23 short-range ballistic missiles both have an advertised capability to reach Camp Humphreys." Not-to-worry is, nonetheless, the soothing message from Moon and his aides. Echoing Trump's earlier expressions of non-concern about the North's short-range missile tests, South Korea's national security adviser, Chung Eui-yong, said the latest shots, the 12th this year but the first in a month, were not "very grave threats." In fact, he argued, "our missile defense and intercept capabilities" are "absolutely superior." With two months to go before the end-of-year "deadline" set by the North for the U.S. to propose a new deal, however, the testing assumes seriously intimidating overtones. At the top of the North's demands are an end to sanctions and a "peace declaration" but no real end to its nuclear program, long since sanctified in the North's constitution. As for Moon, Kim has come up with a bargaining tool that demonstrates the futility of any deal with North Korea. He's demanding South Korea demolish or remove an entire tourist resort at the foot of Mount Kumgang, aka Diamond Mountain, heaping scorn on what was once the most visible showcase for promoting North-South rapprochement. North Korea's state media is dressing up the demand with images of Kim, sporty in a white shirt tailored to fit his contours, appearing to conquer Kumgang on foot just as he rode up the slopes of Paektu on a white horse. Whether he got to the top of Paektu on the horse as claimed, the imagery from Kumgang leaves no doubt he trudged only far enough for a photo-op that



provided the setting for his message to Moon. Packing 290 pounds on his rotund five-foot seven-inch frame, Kim was not at all fit for the hike. Missing are photographs showing him at the majestic Kuryong waterfall, which tumbles 84 meters down granite cliffs. Only four kilometers up the trail, it's the destination for just about everyone else who's been there. Also further up the trail, a special wooden bench, lovingly painted and repainted a sparkling dark blue, is said to be exactly where Kim Il Sung sat to gaze on Mount Kumgang, some of whose many pinnacles are often lost in the clouds far above. A low-lying chain link fence keeps disrespectful tourists from sitting where the late "Great Leader" once sat. No doubt Kim Jong Un would love to plant his ample posterior on granddad's bench, but he got nowhere near it. Rather than at the falls or on the bench, Kim is seen with imagery selected and edited to give an impression of an indomitable figure conquering the mountain. Shots show him with a stout walking stick standing on a footbridge, smiling with aides in a clearing, edging by large boulders, his coyly smiling wife, Ri Sol Ju, close behind. Viewers don't need to know all these photos were staged where the trail begins. The scenic setting provides the backdrop for a shocking message to South Korea and the U.S., too. In a devastating setback to South Korea's efforts at reconciliation, Kim declared the facilities built by South Korea's largest construction firm, Hyundai Engineering and Construction, were "ugly" and "unpleasant" to look at. North Korea has demanded South Korea set a date in writing for removal or demolition of all of them, including 10 hotels, sports and entertainment facilities, a duty-free shopping center and dozens of individual structures to accommodate tour groups. Kim's denunciation of the facilities at Kumgang, which also include an 18-hole golf course and a hot springs spa, is a calculated rebuff to President Moon, who still fantasizes about reopening the resort to South Koreans. Seoul has barred them from going there ever since a South Korean woman was shot and killed by a North Korean soldier in July 2008 while wandering outside the tourist area to gaze at the sunrise. Another problem is how to get around sanctions blocking commercial transactions with the North. It was as though Kim wanted to portray himself as a daring sportsman, a larger-than-life character afraid of nothing before getting down to the serious business of dissing the South as punishment for Moon's failure to stand up to U.S. demands for the North to give up its nuclear program. As for the U.S., Kim's heroics provided the window-dressing for a series of intimidating messages for his friend President Trump. After the North's state media put out photos showing Kim as a virile figure fit to climb any mountain, subordinates came out almost daily with threats against the U.S. for dithering on a deal. "The Korean peninsula is at a critical crossroads," said the country's second ranking leader, Choe Ryong-hae, at a confab of the so-called non-aligned movement in Azerbaijan. The choice was "either moving towards durable peace along with the trend of detente, or facing again a touch-and-go crisis." That warning came after another top leader, Kim Yong Chol, resurgent after having been reported in May to have been executed for the failure of the Trump-Kim summit in Hanoi, said Trump had better not count on his friendship with Kim to keep the North from testing nukes and missiles. "The U.S. is seriously mistaken if it has the idea of exploiting the close personal relations" between Trump and Kim, said Kim Yong Chol, vice chairman of the Workers' Party Central Committee, in a statement carried by Pyongyang's official news agency. The U.S., he said, is now "more desperately resorting to the hostile policy" toward North Korea. Those stern words, coming right after Kim's shows on Kumgang and Paektu, left the South Koreans with no convincing response. South Korea's unification ministry called for "creative solutions" to the entire problem of dismantling the resort complex and keeping Kim happy. North Korea turned a cold shoulder to the South's suggestions for "individual" tours that might avoid sanctions. Kim's current observations from the bottom of Kumgang were meant to show how South Koreans desecrated this scenic wonderland when they opened it to tourism in deals made by South Korea's Kim Dae-jung, the country's president from 1998 to 2003. "Mt. Kumgang is our land of blood," Kim Jong Un is quoted as saying. "We have our own sovereignty and dignity on the cliffs and trees." Those hideous South-made structures, he said, were "severely damaging the landscape" and "neglecting the management of cultural tourism." While Trump Shrugs, North Korea's Building Better Missiles Read more at The Daily Beast. Get our top stories in your inbox every day. Sign up now! Daily Beast Membership: Beast Inside goes deeper on the stories that matter to you. Learn more.



*Image description: To Shake Up Trump, Kim Jong Un Gets All Mystical?Then Launches Missiles*

## *Hong Kong riot police pepper spray &#39;Airport Uncle&#39; as election protests turn ugly*

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A candidate in Hong Kong's elections who rose to fame for his peaceful defence of protesters was pepper sprayed at point-blank range before being arrested in the latest violent crackdown by police in the city. Police attacked the silver-haired Richard Chan, 48, at close range, grabbing and turning him around as he tried to retreat, only to unleash another round directly into his eyes, before tackling him to the ground to make the arrest. Mr Chan, a first-time candidate running in district council elections later this month, went viral after standing his ground between police and activists during mass airport protests in August, which shut down one of world's busiest transport hubs. The incident earned him the nickname of Airport Uncle. Pictures of Mr Chan's rough treatment is likely to further feed growing hatred for police who have been accused of disproportionate brutality. Two other candidates were also arrested in the latest round of protests on Saturday, which came after protest leader Joshua Wong was banned from standing at the up-coming elections. Chan, a candidate for district council elections, lies on the floor after being pepper-sprayed Credit: MIGUEL CANDELA/EPA Dozens of candidates running for district council seats and hundreds of protesters gathered on Saturday afternoon at Victoria Park in a popular shopping neighbourhood, testing a loophole they said allowed for large-scale election meetings to be held in public. But riot police surrounding the park declared the gathering unlawful, warning they wouldn't hesitate to make arrests and deploy tear gas at the crowd of political hopefuls and their supporters, waving colourful campaign banners. 'This is the final chance for us to change Communist China's control in Hong Kong,' Dennis Cheung, 30, one of the more than 1,000 candidates standing for 450 open council seats, told the Sunday Telegraph. Police passes a burning barricade to break up thousands of anti-government protesters Credit: THOMAS PETER/REUTERS Mr Cheung, who works in advertising, is also a first-time candidate who vowed to help arrested protesters and educate residents about their rights if elected. 'Police are making unreasonable arrests of youngsters,' said Martin Ng, 65, a retiree. 'I have full confidence Hong Kong people won't tolerate this kind of brutality and suppression.' Protesters were galvanised this weekend after prominent activist Joshua Wong became the city's only candidate to be barred from running for a district council seat. Hong Kong is in its fifth month of mass protests, which were originally triggered by a now withdrawn extradition bill Credit: MIGUEL CANDELA/EPA The election officer wrote in her reasoning the concept of 'self-determination' that Mr Wong advocates could also refer to the idea of an independent Hong Kong, which was deemed inconsistent with the city's mini-constitution, the Basic Law. Mr Wong and his political party, Demosisto, however, deny supporting independence from mainland China. The upcoming district council elections, currently slated for Nov 24, allow registered voters to select neighbourhood representatives responsible for community affairs, such as building awnings in parks or adding new bus routes. While district councillors have no legislative power, the political party that wins the most seats will gain 117 of the 1,200 votes on an election committee that will select the city's next chief executive in 2022.



*Image description: Hong Kong riot police pepper spray 'Airport Uncle' as election protests turn ugly*

## *Toll in Philippine quakes climbs to 21*

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The death toll in two powerful quakes that struck the southern Philippines in the past week has risen to 21, authorities said Sunday, as survivors struggled to access food and water. The 6.6-magnitude and 6.5-magnitude quakes hit the island of Mindanao two days apart, destroying buildings and displacing tens of thousands of residents. The quakes also left 432 residents injured with two people still missing, it added.



*Image description: Toll in Philippine quakes climbs to 21*

## *View Photos of Honda's SEMA Lineup*

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*Image description: View Photos of Honda's SEMA Lineup*

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## *Airbnb bans 'party houses' after 5 die in Halloween party shooting at home rental*

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CEO Brian Chesky said Airbnb Inc. is banning "party houses" after five people were killed in a shooting at a Halloween party in Orinda, California.



*Image description: Airbnb bans 'party houses' after 5 die in Halloween party shooting at home rental*

## *Iran unveils new anti-US murals at former embassy*

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*Link: <https://news.yahoo.com/iran-unveils-anti-us-murals-former-embassy-115809627.html>*

Iran on Saturday unveiled new anti-American murals on the walls of the former US embassy as Tehran prepares to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the storming of what it labels the "den of spies". The new murals -- mainly painted in white, red and blue, the colours of the US flag -- were unveiled by Major General Hossein Salami, the head of Iran's Revolutionary Guards, at the former mission turned museum. A third showed the

American Global Hawk drone that was shot down by Iran in June over the Strait of Hormuz, with bats flying out of it.



*Image description: Iran unveils new anti-US murals at former embassy*

### *New execution date set for Georgia inmate*

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Georgia officials set a new execution date Friday for a death row inmate two days after he was granted a temporary reprieve because of a legal technicality. Ray Jefferson Cromartie, 52, is scheduled to die by lethal injection Nov. 13 at the state prison in Jackson. Georgia Corrections Commissioner Timothy Ward set the execution for the first date of a seven-day window ordered Friday by a Superior Court judge in Thomas County.



*Image description: New execution date set for Georgia inmate*

### *Judge blocks Trump rule requiring prospective immigrants have health insurance*

*Date: Sat, 02 Nov 2019 18:48:10 -0400*

*Link: <https://news.yahoo.com/u-judge-blocks-trump-proclamation-224810053.html>*

Judge Michael Simon in U.S. District Court in Portland, Oregon, granted a 28-day temporary restraining order that prevents the rule from taking effect on Nov. 3. The legal challenge against it will continue. In an 18-page order, Simon said the potential damage to would-be immigrants and their families justified a nationwide block.



*Image description: Judge blocks Trump rule requiring prospective immigrants have health insurance*

### *Russia's Predator Drone Flew Strikes in Syria*

*Date: Sat, 02 Nov 2019 06:00:00 -0400*

*Link: <https://news.yahoo.com/russia-predator-drone-flew-strikes-100000314.html>*

Russia's Orion drone has completed combat trials in Syria and is now beginning to equip units in Russia for

further testing, state media reported on Nov. 1, 2019.



*Image description: Russia's Predator Drone Flew Strikes in Syria*

## *Can Trump Avoid Taxes by Moving to Florida? It's Not So Simple.*

*Date: Fri, 01 Nov 2019 15:21:59 -0400*

*Link: <https://news.yahoo.com/trump-avoid-taxes-moving-florida-192159788.html>*

Like a long line of other wealthy New Yorkers, President Donald Trump has decided to establish his legal residence in Florida, apparently at least in part to save money on taxes. But changing one's legal home is not so simple. New York state has a platoon of state auditors who zealously examine whether people are trying to skirt paying its state and local taxes by improperly claiming that they live elsewhere. Those officials regularly face off against an industry of accountants and lawyers who specialize in tax avoidance strategies. Under state law, taxpayers who spend 184 days a year in New York -- more than half the year -- have to pay state taxes on all of their income. But even if a person does spend most of the year out of state, that is not enough. Tax experts said that convincing auditors that a taxpayer has gone from being a New Yorker to being a Floridian involves more than filing a "declaration of domicile" form, as Trump and Melania Trump, the first lady, did in Palm Beach County Circuit Court in September. Florida is one of the few states with no state or local income taxes and has long been a preferred destination for wealthy New Yorkers looking to lower their tax bills. For its part, New York has a multipart test that takes in everything from where a taxpayer's family is and where he or she keeps "items near and dear," like family heirlooms. Auditors also examine whether a taxpayer continues to maintain a business in New York. In this case, if Trump still controlled the Trump Organization, with its considerable holdings in New York City, that might raise questions. In other words, tax officials look at more than whether a taxpayer has simply switched from a New York bank to a Florida bank. It is not clear how much time Trump plans to spend in New York during the rest of his presidency or after he leaves the White House -- or whether he plans to keep his triplex apartment in Trump Tower or sell it, a move that could figure in how New York evaluates his tax status. And the burden of proof would be on him. "Unlike the current impeachment hearings, where the burden of proof is on the House of Representatives, here the burden of proof is on the president to prove that he is no longer a New York resident," said Michael Kosnitzky, who chairs the private wealth group at the law firm Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman. "The burden is squarely on him." There are seemingly reams of rules and endless ways taxpayers can be tripped up. Nishant Mittal, a founder of Monaeo, which offers an app to help wealthy people keep track of their whereabouts for tax purposes, said New York had conducted an average of 3,024 nonresidency audits a year between 2010 and 2017. He said the audits had yielded about \$1 billion for the state. "My belief is once he is no longer president, he will definitely get audited," Mittal said, adding, "New York is going to make sure he actually did change his domicile." One issue that tax authorities consider is, "have you abandoned your New York residence?" Kosnitzky said. But the state considers more than whether abandoning a New York residence means giving up a brick-and-mortar house, like Trump's home on the 58th floor of Trump Tower. "The term they use is where you have established strong and enduring ties," Kosnitzky said. "He's associated with New York. He's Mr. New York. It's hard for Mr. New York to disavow his residency. It's not insurmountable, but he's associated with New York." Another factor that could help Trump prove his case is whether a taxpayer who has a business has been running that business in the tax year in question. Trump "could be found to be a Florida resident because he's not technically running the company anymore," said Robin Statsky, an accountant in Manhattan. "He's basically been in Washington" and has spent more time there than anywhere other than Mar-a-Lago since he was inaugurated, she said. Tax experts said Trump is not alone in leaving. There has been a surge of departures among hedge fund managers looking to reduce their tax bills, especially if they lost the deduction for state and



local taxes in the 2017 tax overhaul bill. The elimination of that deduction had a significant impact among well-off residents in New York and New Jersey, states with some of the country's highest local income tax rates. By some estimates, leaving could reduce their tax bills by nearly 13 percentage points. If New York does challenge a residency, the chances that a taxpayer will win are not good, Nittal said. "The reason is, New York is pulling data from cellphone carriers" and other sources like social media sites, he said. "When the state comes in and says, 'You were not in New York,' it's really, really hard to fight it." That Trump would walk away from New York might seem hard to imagine. It was the city where he was born, where he built towers that carried his name and where his blustering personality and his romantic life -- he is twice divorced -- made him a fixture in the tabloids. It was also where he starred in "The Apprentice," the reality-television show that elevated his national profile. But since he was elected president, it has seemed that the city and Trump were headed for a breakup, with both sides openly expressing animosity for each other. In discussing his decision to leave New York on Twitter, Trump said he had been treated poorly by political leaders in the state, despite having paid "millions of dollars in city, state and local taxes each year." But because Trump has never released his taxes, the validity of his claim cannot be determined. Trump is also said to be angered by a subpoena filed by Cyrus Vance Jr., the Manhattan district attorney, seeking his income tax returns, though changing his residence is not likely to affect the case. At an unrelated news conference Friday, Gov. Andy Cuomo, a Democrat, speculated that the president had moved for "legal purposes," seemingly referring to the case being pursued by Vance, rather than because of New York's high taxes. "He's resisting releasing his taxes. He's in litigation. I think his lawyers think this will help his legal case," Cuomo said, though he acknowledged he did not know that to be true. This article originally appeared in The New York Times. (C) 2019 The New York Times Company



Image description: Can Trump Avoid Taxes by Moving to Florida? It's Not So Simple.

### *Ken Cuccinelli Calls Debbie Wasserman Schultz a Witch: She ?Got on Her Broom and Left?*

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Link: <https://news.yahoo.com/ken-cuccinelli-calls-debbie-wasserman-153716730.html>

A day after a contentious congressional hearing in which he was accused by Rep. Debbie Wasserman Schultz (D-FL) of pushing a "heinous white supremacist ideology," acting U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Ken Cuccinelli essentially called the congresswoman a witch. Appearing on Fox & Friends on Friday morning, Cuccinelli brushed off questions about whether he's still being considered to head up the Department of Homeland Security by saying he will keep doing his current job "in the face of some people who would rather we are not as successful." "Are you referring to Debbie Wasserman Schultz by chance," co-host Ainsley Earhardt asked, prompting Cuccinelli to say she was "among them." The hosts went on to play a video clip from Thursday's contentious hearing in which the Florida lawmaker claimed the Cuccinelli and President Donald Trump were pursuing a white supremacist policy by denying public benefits to legal immigrants, including children. "That's one of those things that politicians can say things because they are protected," co-host Steve Doocy remarked. "However, you are?as somebody who is serving in the public interests?you have to give facts." Cuccinelli insisted that while he was under oath, Wasserman Schultz was "literally protected to lie," citing the speech and debate clause in the Constitution. He then asserted that she only came into the hearing to make a speech before making his witch allusion. "She wasn't at much of the committee hearing," he said. "She came in, laid on her smears on both me and the president, all completely false. And then wasn't there much longer, got on her broom and left. It was a fly-by for her and to get a little sound bite." The hosts, meanwhile, rather than push back on Cuccinelli's not-so-veiled sexist insult of a female



lawmaker, instead expressed sympathy for the Trump immigration chief. 'She didn't want you to interrupt her,' Earhardt declared. 'And I guess the rules prevent you from doing but she is smearing your reputation and character and saying something you don't feel like it is true. You have to defend yourself.' Following Cuccinelli's Fox & Friends remarks, Wasserman Schultz took to Twitter to respond, calling out the Trump official for trying to 'silence outspoken women who speak truth to power.' Read more at The Daily Beast. Got a tip? Send it to The Daily Beast here Get our top stories in your inbox every day. Sign up now! Daily Beast Membership: Beast Inside goes deeper on the stories that matter to you. Learn more.



Image description: Ken Cuccinelli Calls Debbie Wasserman Schultz a Witch: She 'Got on Her Broom and Left'

### *Chasing shadows in China: Detained lawyer's wife battles on*

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Link: <https://news.yahoo.com/chasing-shadows-china-detained-lawyers-wife-battles-043422743.html>

With winter approaching, Xu Yan brought some warm clothes and money for her husband to a detention centre in eastern China, though she's not even sure the arrested human rights lawyer is still being held there. Xu, 37, has travelled some 20 times from Beijing to Xuzhou in Jiangsu province in a vain struggle to get any information about Yu Wensheng after he was taken into custody last year. Xu returned again this week, joining the line at the Xuzhou City Detention Centre with other people bringing plastic bags bulging with thick duvets and sweaters for inmates.



Image description: Chasing shadows in China: Detained lawyer's wife battles on

### *Aniah Blanchard's UFC Fighter Stepdad Says Missing Alabama Teen Is 'Amazing'*

Date: Fri, 01 Nov 2019 19:12:53 -0400

Link: <https://news.yahoo.com/aniah-blanchard-apos-ufc-fighter-231253368.html>

Aniah Haley Blanchard, 19, was reported missing by her family on Oct 24. The last time she was heard from was by a friend the night before, according to authorities.



Image description: Aniah Blanchard's UFC Fighter Stepdad Says Missing Alabama Teen Is 'Amazing'

### *Have Kentuckians finally had enough of Mitch McConnell?*

Date: Fri, 01 Nov 2019 13:40:54 -0400

Link: <https://news.yahoo.com/kentuckians-finally-had-enough-mitch-174054683.html>

A recent poll shows that Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, the president's most stolid defender, is down to an 18 percent job approval rating in Kentucky. Only 37 percent in a recent Public Policy Poll said they would vote for him again next year.



Image description: Have Kentuckians finally had enough of Mitch McConnell?

### *Beto O'Rourke ends his bid for the presidency*

Date: Sat, 02 Nov 2019 08:51:18 -0400

Link: <https://news.yahoo.com/beto-orourke-ends-bid-presidency-214106463.html>

Former Texas Rep. Beto O'Rourke, who was seen as a rising Democratic star following his viral Texas Senate bid in 2018, ended his presidential bid Friday.



Image description: Beto O'Rourke ends his bid for the presidency

### *Louisiana man gets probation in whooping crane death*

Date: Fri, 01 Nov 2019 19:08:32 -0400

Link: <https://news.yahoo.com/plea-sentencing-set-killing-endangered-050714166.html>

A Louisiana man was sentenced to probation Friday for killing one of the state's oldest whooping cranes . Gilvin P. Aucoin Jr., of Ville Platte, shot the endangered whooping crane in July 2018 in Evangeline Parish. In a hearing before U.S. Magistrate Judge Carol B. Whitehurst, Aucoin changed his plea to guilty for a misdemeanor violation of the International Migratory Bird Treaty Act.



Image description: Louisiana man gets probation in whooping crane death

### *Kashmir's situation is unsustainable, Merkel says*

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Link: <https://news.yahoo.com/kashmiris-situation-unsustainable-merkel-says-130216714.html>

The conditions in which the people of Kashmir are living are unsustainable and must be improved, German Chancellor Angela Merkel told reporters accompanying her on a trip to New Delhi where she is holding talks with India's prime minister. The province has been convulsed by protests against New Delhi's decision to revoke the mainly Muslim area's political autonomy.



*Image description: Kashmiris' situation is unsustainable, Merkel says*

### *Iran, Please Don't Develop a Stealth Fighter*

*Date: Sat, 02 Nov 2019 05:01:00 -0400*

*Link: <https://news.yahoo.com/iran-please-dont-develop-stealth-090100093.html>*

It might be nice to have one, but it'll bring nothing but trouble.



*Image description: Iran, Please Don't Develop a Stealth Fighter*

### *For the Best Three-Row Mid-Size Crossovers and SUVs, See These Full Rankings!*

*Date: Fri, 01 Nov 2019 18:21:00 -0400*

*Link: <https://news.yahoo.com/best-three-row-mid-size-161200142.html>*

*Image description: For the Best Three-Row Mid-Size Crossovers and SUVs, See These Full Rankings!*

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### *Trump says he knows all about the new Isis leader - but experts insist 'The Scholar' remains a mystery*

*Date: Fri, 01 Nov 2019 18:21:49 -0400*

*Link: <https://news.yahoo.com/trump-says-knows-isis-leader-222149339.html>*

Days after Isis leader Abu Bakr Al-Baghdadi was killed in a raid by US special forces at a compound in Syria, Donald Trump tweeted that 'we know exactly' who the replacement is as head of the terrorist group. Abu Ibrahim al-Hashimi al-Qurashi has been named as Baghdadi's successor in an audio message released by the group on Thursday.



*Image description: Trump says he knows all about the new Isis leader - but experts insist 'The Scholar' remains a mystery*

## *New California fire grows as crews make headway on other blazes*

*Date: Fri, 01 Nov 2019 20:11:50 -0400*

*Link: <https://news.yahoo.com/more-fires-evacuations-weary-california-182619608.html>*

A new wildfire in California grew to nearly 9,000 acres (3,700 hectares) on Friday, sending thousands of people fleeing and further stretching resources in a state struggling with a spate of wildfires this season. The so-called Maria Fire erupted Thursday evening in Ventura County, 65 miles (105 kilometers) northwest of Los Angeles, and burned out of control through the night, driven by high winds and threatening 2,300 structures. Ventura County Sheriff Bill Ayub said fire crews had been thwarted by people flying drones in the area.



*Image description: New California fire grows as crews make headway on other blazes*

## *British teenager was suffering from PTSD when she withdrew Cyprus gang rape claim, court hears*

*Date: Fri, 01 Nov 2019 14:26:49 -0400*

*Link: <https://news.yahoo.com/british-teenager-suffering-ptsd-she-182649116.html>*

A British teenager accused of lying about being gang raped in Cyprus may have retracted her claims because she was suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder, her lawyer said at a hearing on Friday. The woman, 19, is charged with public mischief for allegedly inventing the attack at an Ayia Napa hotel on July 17. She maintains she was raped by up to a dozen Israeli tourists, but pressured by Cypriot police to make a retraction statement 10 days later. Prosecutors say the teenager willingly wrote and signed the document. On Friday, chartered consultant psychologist Dr Christine Tizzard gave evidence by videolink from Portsmouth Crown Court. Speaking after the hearing in Larnaca, lawyer Michael Polak, director of the group Justice Abroad - which is assisting the teenager - said she was diagnosed as having underlying PTSD, which was reignited by the alleged attack. Lawyer Michael Polak of Justice Abroad is supporting the teenager Credit: KATIA CHRISTODOULOU/EPA-EFE/REX "We were pleased with the evidence from Dr Tizzard, which confirms what we have been saying," he said. "She explained in simple words to the court the ways in which PTSD affects someone who is put in a difficult situation... Their fight or flight reflex would kick in and they would do anything to get out of that situation... "We look forward to the rest of the evidence, which we say supports the teenager's case that she was put under enormous pressure to sign the retraction statement." The case was adjourned following the psychologist's evidence and a date for forensic linguist Dr Andrea Nini to give evidence is expected to be set on Monday. He is expected to say it was "highly unlikely" that the retraction statement was written by a native English speaker, supporting the teenager's case that it was dictated to her by a Cypriot police officer. The incident allegedly took place in the resort town of Ayia Napa Credit: Amir MAKAR / AFP Her lawyers want Judge Michalis Papathanasiou to rule the statement is inadmissible as evidence. The teenager was a week into a working holiday before she was due to start university when she alleged she was raped by the group of young Israeli men, but was then herself accused of making it up. She spent more than a month in prison before she was granted bail at the end of August, but cannot leave the island, having surrendered her passport. She could face up to a year in jail and a 1,700 euro (£1,500) fine if she is found guilty. The 12 Israelis arrested over the alleged attack returned home after they were released. The teenager's family have set up a crowdfunding page asking for money for legal costs, which has raised more

than £40,000.



*Image description: British teenager was suffering from PTSD when she withdrew Cyprus gang rape claim, court hears*

## *Nigel Farage Demands Johnson Ditch Brexit Deal to Forge Election Pact*

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*Link: <https://news.yahoo.com/nigel-farage-demands-johnson-ditch-115548377.html>*

(Bloomberg) -- Sign up to our Brexit Bulletin, follow us @Brexit and subscribe to our podcast. Brexit Party leader Nigel Farage threatened to fight for every seat in the Dec. 12 election if Prime Minister Boris Johnson refuses to abandon his divorce deal with the European Union and commit to a clean break. Speaking at the launch of his party's campaign at an event in central London on Friday, Farage said the "sell-out" deal agreed by Johnson on Oct. 17 "isn't Brexit" and he will make sure every voter knows that before they go to the polls. In other developments on the campaign trail on Friday: Johnson hit back at President Trump's claim that his Brexit deal would prevent a U.K.-U.S. free trade agreement in future because it binds Britain too closely to EU rules. "I don't wish to cast any aspersions on the President of the United States, but in that respect he is patently in error," Johnson told Sky News. ITV announced Johnson and Labour leader Jeremy Corbyn will face each other in a TV debate on Nov. 19. Farage is playing hardball. He wants to agree a "non-aggression pact" with Johnson in which Conservative candidates would stand down in seats where his party is well placed to beat Corbyn's Labour. "There are around 150 seats in this country that are Labour-held constituencies that the Conservative Party have never ever won in their history," Farage said. "The only way to solve this is to build a leave alliance across the country." Tory activists have warned that the Brexit Party could split the anti-EU vote, costing the prime minister's party seats it could otherwise win. Johnson rejected Farage's call for the parties to work together. "Voting for any other party simply risks putting Jeremy Corbyn into Number 10, and the problem with that is his plan for Brexit is basically yet more dither and delay," Johnson told BBC TV later on Friday. "This Conservative government has Brexit ready to go and to vote for us is the best way of getting it over the line as fast as possible." The Brexit Party topped the polls with 32% of the vote in EU Parliament elections in May and, while it is unlikely to win many seats under Britain's first-past-the-post electoral system next month, Farage is looking to cash-in on its power as a disruptive force. Farage cited two recent by-elections as examples of places where "Leave" candidates could have won if there had been an agreement between the parties. Canada Option But he made clear the price for any agreement would be for Johnson to abandon his deal with the EU and either pursue terms similar to Canada's trade arrangement with the bloc or leave on World Trade Organization terms by July 1. He compared Johnson's deal with the EU to a used car with a shiny hood but a failing engine. It's just Theresa May's deal with a new coat of paint, he said. "This is Mrs May's appalling surrender deal. This is not Brexit," he said. If Johnson refuses to ditch it, "by the time Dec. 12 comes along, the country will understand what's in it, they'll understand it's not Brexit. We'll make sure of that," he said. Johnson defended his agreement and said it would enable the U.K. to be a champion for free trade across the globe, expanding opportunities and providing certainty for businesses. "It's a great Brexit. It's a proper Brexit. It delivers exactly what we wanted, what I wanted," Johnson told the BBC. "It enables us to do proper all-singing all-dancing free trade deals around the world." While he aimed most of his fire at Johnson, Farage said he will travel to Labour heartlands in the north, the Midlands, South Wales and east London to target districts which voted to leave the EU in the 2016 referendum. Voters in those areas are alienated by Corbyn's indecision over Brexit, he said, adding that it's "lazy" to assume all Brexit voters are Conservatives. Corbyn's policy of renegotiating with the EU and then holding a referendum on whether to accept his deal or remain in the bloc "represents nothing less than a complete and absolute betrayal" for 5



million Brexit supporting Labour voters, Farage said. The Brexit Party is also in talks with individual lawmakers about not contesting their seats, Farage said. He will be flexible with members of Parliament who renounce the withdrawal agreement, who renounce the deal,? Farage said. ?In cases where they say this we will view them as our friends, not our enemies.?(Updates with Johnson starting in 6th paragraph.) To contact the reporter on this story: Thomas Penny in London at [tpenny@bloomberg.net](mailto:tpenny@bloomberg.net) To contact the editors responsible for this story: Tim Ross at [tross54@bloomberg.net](mailto:tross54@bloomberg.net), Colin Keatinge For more articles like this, please visit us at [bloomberg.com](http://bloomberg.com) ©2019 Bloomberg L.P.



*Image description: Nigel Farage Demands Johnson Ditch Brexit Deal to Forge Election Pact*

## *Pro-Trump Channel One America News Deploys a Former Kremlin Propagandist to Blast the &#39;Russia Hoax&#39;*

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*Link: <https://news.yahoo.com/pro-trump-channel-one-america-233319108.html>*

News out of the UK about Russian propaganda targeting that country's politics is a new ?Russia hoax? being perpetrated by liberals and the mainstream media, according to One America News. The pro-Trump network put its very best alum of the Kremlin's propaganda machine on the story. One America News' Kristian Rouz covered the controversy in Britain surrounding an unreleased parliamentary report investigating Russia's interference in UK politics and its online trolling in support of the 2016 Brexit vote. Lawmakers are accusing prime minister Boris Johnson of slowing-walking the report to keep it under wraps until after the December 12 election. ?The mainstream media continues attempts to revive the failed Russia hoax, designating as a Russian agent none other than British prime minister Boris Johnson,? Rouz reported. As The Daily Beast reported in July, Rouz, a graduate of Moscow's Higher School of Economics, was a regular contributor to the Kremlin-run propaganda site Sputnik while simultaneously working in the San Diego, California offices of OAN, a Trumpist cable channel with a history of regurgitating conspiracy theories and Russian propaganda. In a letter to The Daily Beast following that story, Rouz said he filed approximately 1,300 articles with Sputnik over four-and-a-half years, and was paid \$11,500 a year. He also defended his work, which at Sputnik was primarily covering economic news. ?I have never written propaganda, disinformation, or unverified information,? he wrote. One 2017 Sputnik article by Rouz described Russian election interference in the US and UK as ?largely debunked narratives. ? One of his OAN segments that year claimed Hillary Clinton was secretly funding Antifa. (?It's a great network,? Donald Trump said of OAN during a 2017 news conference.) Rouz's byline hasn't appear on Sputnik since July, but even when he was being paid by the Russian government, his dual-affiliation wasn't disclosed in his on-air reporting for One America News, even when his segments touched on Russian affairs, and despite the fact that Sputnik's role in Russia's 2016 US election interference was highlighted in an assessment by the U.S. intelligence community. OAN didn't immediately respond to a request for comment. But in a letter responding to The Daily Beast's previous reporting, OAN attorney Louis Miller said Rouz's work for the two outlets was unconnected. ?He is paid by OAN, not the Russian government, for the content he creates for OAN,? Miller wrote. ?Every article he writes goes through OAN's editorial process ? His outside work for other media outlets has no relation to or bearing on his work for OAN. ? OAN's support for Putin extends beyond any one reporter. In May, OAN's Pearson Sharp aired a segment based on Russian propaganda claiming to reveal that dozens of Syria's White Helmets confessed to faking chemical weapons attacks, making no mention of the false claim's Russian origin. OAN filed a lawsuit in September against MSNBC host Rachael Maddow, who commented on the air that OAN ?is



literally paid Russian propaganda." OAN is suing for defamation on the grounds that Russia is not paying them. Trump's New Favorite Network Embraces Russian Propaganda Pro-Trump TV Channel OAN Has a Comedy Show So Terrible It Might Actually Be Funny Read more at The Daily Beast. Got a tip? Send it to The Daily Beast here Get our top stories in your inbox every day. Sign up now! Daily Beast Membership: Beast Inside goes deeper on the stories that matter to you. Learn more.



Image description: Pro-Trump Channel One America News Deploys a Former Kremlin Propagandist to Blast the 'Russia Hoax'

### *Police officer retires after far-right group ties revealed*

Date: Fri, 01 Nov 2019 10:48:07 -0400

Link: <https://news.yahoo.com/police-officer-retires-far-group-143320211.html>

A Connecticut police officer has retired after a civil rights organization raised concerns about his membership in a far-right group known for engaging in violent clashes at political rallies, a town official said Friday. Officer Kevin P. Wilcox retired from the East Hampton Police Department on Oct. 22, according to Town Manager David Cox. Wilcox had been an East Hampton police officer since 1999.

Image description: Police officer retires after far-right group ties revealed  
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### *23 ISIS wives start repatriation case in Netherlands*

Date: Fri, 01 Nov 2019 14:13:35 -0400

Link: <https://news.yahoo.com/23-isis-wives-start-repatriation-181335896.html>

Lawyers for 23 women who joined the Islamic State group from the Netherlands asked a judge on Friday to order the Netherlands to repatriate them and their 56 young children from camps in Syria. The women and children were living in "deplorable conditions" in the al-Hol camp in northern Syria, lawyer Andre Seebregts said in court.



Image description: 23 ISIS wives start repatriation case in Netherlands

*PG&E and Southern California Edison have turned off power to minimize fires. It hasn't worked. What will?*

Date: Fri, 01 Nov 2019 13:59:00 -0400

Link: <https://news.yahoo.com/pg-e-southern-california-edison-102106034.html>

Pacific Gas & Electric and Southern California Edison have cut off power to minimize wildfire risk. Yet the wildfires haven't stopped. What now?



*Image description: PG&E and Southern California Edison have turned off power to minimize fires. It hasn't worked. What will?*

## *Trump's Naval Dream Seems Sunk: America Can't Afford a 355 Ship Navy*

*Date: Sat, 02 Nov 2019 15:30:00 -0400*

*Link: <https://news.yahoo.com/trumps-naval-dream-seems-sunk-193000340.html>*

Like a Christmas wish list, the Navy wants a fleet of 355 ships. It just can't afford it.



*Image description: Trump's Naval Dream Seems Sunk: America Can't Afford a 355 Ship Navy*

## *Syria's Assad calls Trump the 'most transparent president'*

*Date: Fri, 01 Nov 2019 07:13:45 -0400*

*Link: <https://www.politico.com/news/2019/11/01/syria-assad-trump-best-president-063765>*

Syrian President Bashar Assad on Thursday hailed Donald Trump as the 'best American president' for his 'transparency' regarding his stated desire to maintain U.S. control of the Middle Eastern nation's lucrative oil fields. 'I tell you, he's the best American president. Not because his policies are good, but because he's the most transparent president,' Assad said in a state television interview, according to a translation of his remarks by NBC News.



*Image description: Syria's Assad calls Trump the 'most transparent president'*

## *A plane flying from Portugal to Scotland was mistakenly told it was flying near the North Pole when its navigation gear malfunctioned*

*Date: Fri, 01 Nov 2019 08:43:03 -0400*

*Link: <https://news.yahoo.com/plane-flying-portugal-scotland-mistakenly-120730477.html>*

A Ryanair Boeing 737-800 was flying to Edinburgh when it experienced a number of malfunctions, including with the plane's altitude readings.



*Image description: A plane flying from Portugal to Scotland was mistakenly told it was flying near the North Pole when its navigation gear malfunctioned*

## *Kirchner or Fernandez? Who's really going to run Argentina?*

*Date: Fri, 01 Nov 2019 21:25:48 -0400*

*Link: <https://news.yahoo.com/kirchner-fernandez-whos-really-going-run-argentina-012548120.html>*

Alberto Fernandez has just been elected president of Argentina but before even taking charge he faces suggestions that he is a puppet for ex-president Cristina Kirchner. Fernandez may have defeated incumbent Mauricio Macri at the polls on Sunday, but he did so with Kirchner as his running mate -- and soon to be vice-president. It's led many to wonder who will really be running the country: two-time former president Kirchner (2007-15) or Fernandez, her ex-cabinet chief.



*Image description: Kirchner or Fernandez? Who's really going to run Argentina?*

## *For Vietnam's 'Box People,' a Treacherous Journey*

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LONDON -- Vietnamese smugglers call it the "CO2" route: a poorly ventilated, oxygen-deficient trip across the English Channel in shipping containers or trailers piled high with pallets of merchandise, the last leg of a perilous, 6,000-mile trek across Asia and into Western Europe. Compared to the other path -- the "VIP route," with its brief hotel stay and seat in a truck driver's cab -- the trip in a stuffy container can be brutal for what some Vietnamese refer to as "box people," successors to the "boat people" who left after the Vietnam War ended in 1975. Vietnamese migrants often wait for months in roadside camps in northern France before being sneaked into a truck trailer. Snakeheads, as the smugglers are known, beat men and sexually assault women, aid groups, lawyers and the migrants themselves say. People cocoon themselves in aluminum bags and endure hours in refrigerated units to reduce the risk of detection. That journey proved fatal last week for 39 people, many of them believed to be Vietnamese, who were found dead in a refrigerated truck container in southeastern England. As dangerous as the last leg of the migrant journey to Britain often is, those petrifying hours in a trailer are sometimes only a sliver of months if not years of harsh treatment -- first at the hands of organized trafficking gangs, and then under imperious bosses at nail salons and cannabis factories in Britain. But still they come, an estimated 18,000 Vietnamese paying smugglers for the journey to Europe every year at prices between 8,000 and 40,000 pounds, around \$10,000 to \$50,000. In Britain, where Brexit has discouraged the flow of labor from Eastern Europe, migrants see a country thirsty for low-wage workers, paying easily five times what they could earn at home and free of the onerous identity checks that make other European countries inhospitable. Vietnamese smugglers, for the most part, get their clients across to France and the Netherlands, where other gangs, often Kurdish and Albanian, or, as in the recent case, apparently Irish or Northern Irish, finish the job. Many come from Ha Tinh and Nghe An, two impoverished provinces in

north-central Vietnam, and leave for Britain with their eyes wide open to the risks, analysts say. Having watched their neighbors suddenly refurbish their homes with pricier materials, or buy better cars, they crave the same sense of security for their family, whatever it might cost them. But when Britain fails to deliver on that promise, migrants can end up in a dreadful limbo, kept from seeking help by the country's harsh immigration system and living in the grip of a shadowy system of traffickers and the employers who rely on them. "I always encourage them, 'Stay at home,'" the Rev. Simon Thang Duc Nguyen, the parish priest at a Catholic church in East London attended by many migrant parishioners, said this week. "Even though you are poor, you have your life. Here, you have money, but you lose your life." Not all the 20,000 to 35,000 undocumented Vietnamese migrants estimated to be living in Britain have horror stories to tell. Many migrants, some experts say, put up with the travails of working in Britain for the real chance of a payday. "My research has shown stories of migrants are not all about exploitation and not all about being trafficked," said Tamsin Barber, a lecturer at Oxford Brookes University. "People are usually coming here agreeing to take high risks to work illegally and potentially earn large amounts of money in the cannabis trade." But more vulnerable Vietnamese are also being trafficked to Britain, with the authorities receiving five times as many referrals last year as in 2012. Once family and friends have scraped together enough money, the odyssey may begin with a trip to China to pick up forged travel documents. That is how many of the dozens of people who died in the truck began their journey, said Anthony Dang Huu Nam, a Catholic priest serving a church in the town of Yen Thanh, where he said dozens of the victims were from. On the way from China to Russia to Western Europe, one of the most punishing stretches is the walk through Belarusian forests to the Polish border. In a 2017 French survey of Vietnamese migrants, a man identified as Anh, 24, told researchers that he and five other men, led by a smuggler, were repeatedly arrested in Belarus, only to be released at the Russian border to try again. When they finally succeeded, they were met by a truck waiting on the Polish side. "We were cold," the survey quoted him as saying. "We didn't eat anything for two days. We drank water from melted snow." Other routes, choreographed down to the minute, land migrants in European airports with recycled visas and travel documents, according to "Precarious Journeys," a recent report from ECPAT, an anti-child-trafficking organization, and other groups. As a precaution, smugglers in Vietnam often tell people to arrive at airport check-in desks 10 minutes before they close, for instance, so agents do not have enough time to inspect paperwork. The trip can take months, even years. Nguyen Dinh Luong, 20, one of the migrants believed to have died last week, wanted to go to France to find work and support his siblings, seven of them in all, his father, Nguyen Dinh Gia, said. But in Russia, he overstayed his tourist visa and was confined to his house for six months. Then he moved to Ukraine and France, where he found a job as a waiter, before deciding to go to Britain for work in a nail salon. Trips are frequently interrupted when migrants are detained or run out of money. Some migrants are forced to work along the way, in garment factories in Russia or in restaurants across Europe. Some women sell sex, researchers say. Smugglers often keep people in the dark about where they are as a way of exerting total control. In a 2017 case, 16 Vietnamese people picked up by the Ukrainian authorities in Odessa thought they were in France. When migrants disobey their smugglers, the blowback can be fierce. "They cannot be discovered by the police, so they have to keep the discipline," said Nguyen, the priest in London. "If you do not behave, you can be punished by beatings, or for women be abused sexually." And once they arrive in Britain, they are often in for a rude awakening. Sulaiha Ali, a human rights lawyer, said migrants were sometimes promised legitimate work in a restaurant or on a construction site, only to be forced to work as "gardeners" in a house converted into illegal cannabis growing operations. Locked inside the house for days at a time and often living 15 to a room, workers face the risk of fire from tampered electrical wiring and health problems from noxious chemicals. In the nail salons where many Vietnamese find work, salon bosses can control every aspect of workers' lives, a power that can breed exploitation, though researchers said some bosses also become migrants' surrogate parents, cooking for them and providing a place to stay. When the police raid places housing migrants, they can often ignore signs of forced work or human trafficking and send migrants into deportation proceedings instead, migrant advocates say. "The emphasis, as soon as it's established someone doesn't have any identification documents, is not trying to establish whether they've been exploited," Ali said. "It's on, 'Can we justify detention? Can we get them removed back to their countries?'" That threat of deportation, whatever someone's circumstances, is a cudgel for trafficking gangs to keep migrants under their sway. "There's a serious distrust of authorities, a lot of

the time because traffickers have embedded that in victims' minds: 'You don't have official documents,' or, 'You're going to be deported or imprisoned,'" said Firoza Saiyed, a human rights lawyer. "It's another thing that makes disclosure really difficult." Older Vietnamese migrants in Britain, many of whom arrived after the Vietnam War, are separated by a wide cultural gulf from the newer arrivals, but they have still proved to be a crucial support, ever more so in the last week. Nguyen, who left Vietnam in 1984, said he had been fielding calls from families in Vietnam, wanting to know if he could tell them whether their children were in the trailer. "The mother, the father, all called me in tears," he said. "I couldn't bear hearing the words. You have to borrow a lot of money for this journey, and now you had hoped your daughter, your son can be successful, and that you can have some money to pay the debt. Now, it's hopeless -- nothing." He went on, "Nothing is OK, as long as they are arrested or in prison. It's OK, they survived. But now they lost two things. They lost hope and they lost their lives. Nothing." This article originally appeared in The New York Times. (C) 2019 The New York Times Company



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