

ISRAELI CONTROL
OVER ALL OF GAZA
IS DECLARED GOAL

NETANYAHU’S REMARKS

Leader Calling Takeover
Temporary, to ‘Assure
Our Security’

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TEL AVIV — Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said on Thursday that Israel planned to take control of all of Gaza, bucking the advice of the Israeli military and warnings that expanding operations could endanger the hostages being held there and kill more Palestinian civilians. Mr. Netanyahu made the comments in an interview with Fox News ahead of a security cabinet meeting on Thursday to discuss a proposal to expand military operations in Gaza. They came as talks to achieve a cease-fire and the release of the hostages have hit an impasse, with Israeli and Hamas officials blaming each other for the deadlock.

When asked whether Israel would take over all of Gaza, he responded, “We intend to.”

Mr. Netanyahu said the move would “assure our security,” remove Hamas from power and enable the transfer of the civilian administration of Gaza to another party.

“We want to liberate ourselves and the people of Gaza from the awful terror of Hamas,” he said in an excerpt from the interview, without providing details on any planned operation.

The prime minister, however, suggested Israel was not interested in maintaining permanent control over the entire enclave. “We don’t want to keep it,” he added. “We don’t want to govern it. We don’t want to be there as a governing body. We want to hand it over to Arab forces.”

In the excerpt published by Fox News, Mr. Netanyahu offered few

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Artur Tkachenko with his 3-year-old daughter in Novosofiivka, Ukraine. Weeks after he returned home from the war’s front lines, a Russian missile killed his parents and left his face disfigured.

Rebuilding Faces, Lives and Identities

After more than three years of war, thousands of Ukrainians struggle with the physical and emotional trauma of severe facial wounds. Doctors use cutting-edge methods like 3-D printing to rebuild faces, trying to meet the soaring need.

“I want to live,” said Nelya Leonidova, 45, a factory worker in the Donbas region who was badly injured in shelling in 2014. “For my children, for the life that was stolen but not lost. I want to find peace in the pieces left to me.”

But recovery is grueling, with wounds that impair eating, speaking, and even the sense of self. Patients rely on doctors to heal their physical wounds, and on the support of family to move forward.

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Operating on a patient at a military hospital in Lviv, Ukraine. Use of 3-D printing has restored jaws, cheekbones and eye sockets.

EDDIE PALMIERI, 1936-2025

Fiery Bandleader Whose Style Forged Latin Music’s Golden Age

By GIOVANNI RUSSONELLO

Eddie Palmieri, a pianist, composer and bandleader whose contributions to Afro-Caribbean music helped usher in the golden age of salsa in New York City, and whose far-reaching career established him as one of the great musical masterminds of the 20th century — not to mention one of its fieriest performers — died on Wednesday at his home in Hackensack, N.J. He was 88.

His youngest daughter, Gabriela Palmieri, confirmed the death, which she said came after “an extended illness.”

From the moment he founded his first steady band, the eight-piece La Perfecta, in 1961, Mr. Palmieri drove many of the stylistic shifts and creative leaps in Latin music. That group brought new levels of economy and jazz influence to a mambo scene that was just beginning to lose steam after its postwar boom, and it set the standard for what would become known as salsa. From there, he never stopped innovating.

In the 1970s, Mr. Palmieri roped salsa into conversation with jazz, rock, funk and even modern classical music on a series of highly regarded albums, including “Vamonos Pa’l Monte” and “The Sun of Latin Music,” as well as with the fusion band Harlem River Drive. He also teamed up with thoroughbred jazz musicians — Cal Tjader, Brian Lynch and Donald Harrison among them — making essential

contributions to the subgenre of Latin jazz.

Mr. Palmieri’s fundamental tools, he once said in an interview, were the “complex African rhythmic patterns that are centuries old” and that lie at the root of Afro-Cuban music. “The intriguing thing for me is to layer jazz phrasings and harmony on top of those patterns,” he said. Explaining where he got his knack for dense and dissonant harmonies and his

Combining Afro-Cuban
Roots With Jazz

gleefully contrarian sense of rhythm, he cited jazz pianists like McCoy Tyner and Thelonious Monk as inspirations.

But the art historian and critic Robert Farris Thompson, writing in 1975 about the emergence of

salsa, noticed other influences as well. “He blends avant-garde rock, Debussy, John Cage and Chopin without overwhelming the basic Afro-Cuban flavor,” he wrote of Mr. Palmieri. “A new world music, it might be said, is being born.”

Juan Flores, a scholar of Puerto Rican culture, wrote in “Salsa Rising: New York Latin Music of the Sixties Generation” (2016) that Mr. Palmieri had been “the pio-

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Eddie Palmieri performing at Jazz at Lincoln Center’s Frederick P. Rose Hall in 2012. One scholar called him “the pioneer and prime innovator” driving the “cultural movement” that was salsa music.

Worries Around World
As Steep Trump Tariffs
Begin for 90 Countries

He Claims Victory, but Foreign Leaders
and U.S. Businesses Fear Fallout

By TONY ROMM

WASHINGTON — President Trump’s punishing new tariffs on about 90 countries snapped into place on Thursday, sending foreign leaders in some of the hardest-hit economies rushing to contain the damage and persuade Washington to ease its escalating trade brinkmanship.

Few of America’s major trading partners were spared under the updated duties, which together sent the average effective U.S. tariff rate to its highest level in nearly a century. Despite the outcry, Mr. Trump remained ebullient as he heralded the higher rates as a lucrative political coup and his aides signaled even harsher duties could be on the horizon.

The president’s levies — which are expected to drive up prices for American consumers, and have spooked many businesses around the world — officially took effect just after midnight. They arrived one week after Mr. Trump signed a set of executive orders that raised rates and put into force the preliminary trade agreements that the administration had reached in recent days with the European Union and several countries.

The president has long maintained that these levies would help reset trade relationships that he deems unfair, raise new revenue for the U.S. government, spur

more U.S. manufacturing and achieve other goals. Just before the tariffs took effect, Mr. Trump took to social media to celebrate them as a fiscal success, claiming in all caps that “billions of dollars in tariffs are now flowing into the United States of America!”

Around the world, however, the mood proved more dour. Particularly in Southeast Asia, foreign leaders continued to press Mr. Trump to relax his tariffs or better explain his new trade policies, fearful of the effect on their industries and workers.

In Switzerland, officials labored unsuccessfully to persuade the White House to reduce a surprisingly high 39 percent tariff on its goods. And India continued to push back against Mr. Trump after he announced he would soon be doubling tariffs on that country, with one local policymaker calling the president a “bully.”

Wall Street generally shrugged off Mr. Trump’s tariffs, a drastic reversal from only four months earlier, when the president’s initial slate of duties provoked a worldwide sell-off before the White House paused its plans.

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Even His Allies
Fault Kennedy
Over Vaccines

By APOORVA MANDAVILLI

Even before Robert F. Kennedy Jr. took office in February as secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services, some public health experts worried he might use his influence to carry out an anti-vaccine agenda he’d spent decades promoting.

In the worst-case scenario, they said, he might dismiss experts on whom the government relies to make sound decisions about immunizations, and enact policies restricting access. He might cancel important research that would be needed in a future pandemic.

In less than six months, Mr. Kennedy has done all that and more.

The health secretary has expressed doubts about childhood vaccines, including those against polio and measles, that have been the mainstay of childhood immunizations for decades. He has described the Covid shot as “the deadliest vaccine ever made.”

Under his leadership, the Food and Drug Administration restricted access to Covid vaccines for healthy children and healthy pregnant women. And on Tuesday, he canceled nearly \$500 million of grants and contracts for work on mRNA vaccines, the technology that helped turn the tide against the coronavirus.

Mr. Kennedy explained his decision in a video on social media, claiming falsely that mRNA vaccines offer no protection against respiratory viruses and can prolong pandemics.

Most scientists were aghast. His assault on mRNA vaccines, and in particular the Covid vaccines developed in the first Trump administration, may have even riled the president.

“Operation Warp Speed was, whether you’re Republican or

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U.S.A.I.D.’S DRUGS
TO BE DESTROYED

Millions in Birth Control
Intended for Africa

By JEANNA SMIALEK
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The Trump administration’s plans to incinerate \$9.7 million in birth control pills and other contraceptives stored in a Belgian warehouse have left European governments struggling as they try to prevent the destruction.

When the Trump administration abruptly defunded and dismantled the United States Agency for International Development, or U.S.A.I.D., earlier this year, millions of contraceptives it had purchased were stuck in Geel, Belgium. The pills, intrauterine devices and hormonal implants were destined for clinics in the poorest countries in Africa.

With the contraceptives in limbo, the contractor managing the supply explored selling it to outside organizations, including the United Nations’ main sexual and reproductive health agency, the U.N. Population Fund. The nonprofit MSI Reproductive Choices offered to take over the warehousing and redistribute the contraceptives at no cost to the United States.

But last month it emerged that the U.S. government had instead decided to burn the supplies, at a cost to the government of more than \$160,000 in transport and incineration fees.

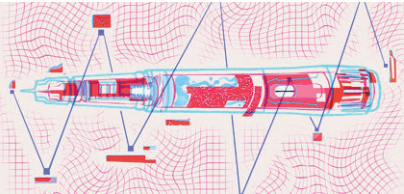
“U.S.A.I.D. was allegedly dismantled to prevent future waste and to deliver value for money for the American people,” said Sarah Shaw, the associate director of advocacy at MSI Reproductive Choices. “It’s just egregious that they’re willing to waste \$9 million worth of contraceptives that are so desperately needed.”

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