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Voters in New York City on Tuesday headed to the polls, where the big race was the Democratic primary for mayor. Andrew M. Cuomo and Zohran Mamdani appeared to be the front-runners in a field of 11 candidates. Coverage is on Page A17 and at nytimes.com.

Blistering Heat Brings Bad Air, A Duo Climate Experts Dread

By CLAIRE BROWN and CHRISTINA KELSO

The heat dome that is scorching more than 90 million people across the United States this week also threatens to deliver polluted air, something that scientists say is a growing problem on a warming planet.

Researchers are increasingly worried about the twin health hazards of extreme heat and pollution, which can amplify each

other. As climate change drives up global temperatures past record levels, the frequency of days when it is both hot and polluted has also been increasing.

“We’re in the middle of a bad air quality summer in a lot of the country,” said Joseph Goffman, who led the Office of Air and Radiation at the Environmental Protection Agency during the Biden administration. “And now it’s more likely than not that we’ll see summers like this in the coming years.”

Several factors are converging to amplify health risks during sweltering days. Extreme heat can trap polluted air in place, so it does not dissipate. Climate change is making wildfires more frequent and intense, pumping smoke into the atmosphere and contributing to the reversal of a decades-long trend of air quality improvement in some parts of the United States.

And the Trump administration is moving to weaken limits on emissions from power plants and cars, which could increase carbon dioxide, sulfur dioxide, particulate matter and other pollutants. It is also encouraging more min-

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Harvard Debates Trump Deal That Isn’t Seen as Caving In

By MICHAEL S. SCHMIDT and ALAN BLINDER

Harvard University, battered by a devastating conflict with the Trump administration that has jeopardized its elite standing, is facing a problem as it weighs a possible truce with President Trump: how to strike a deal without compromising its values or appearing to have capitulated.

The conundrum has bedeviled law firms, tech and media companies and even one of the school’s Ivy League peers. According to three people familiar with the university’s deliberations, it is now shaping internal debates around the school’s freshly resurrected talks with the government. The

three people familiar with the matter spoke on the condition of anonymity because they did not want to be identified discussing negotiations that are supposed to be private.

Unlike many other powerful institutions that have struck bargains with Mr. Trump, Harvard, the nation’s oldest and richest university, spent much of this spring as the vanguard of resistance to the White House, credited by academic leaders, alumni and pro-democracy activists for fighting the administration and serving as a formidable barrier against au-

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