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Today, early-morning rain, breezy, decreasing clouds, high 58. **Tonight,** a few clouds, dry, low 44. **Tomorrow,** mostly sunny, a brisk breeze, dry,

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Images of people kidnapped by Hamas and taken to Gaza were projected onto the outer wall of the Old City of Jerusalem this month.

OpenAl Faced Bitter Divide Before Firing

This article is by Cade Metz, Tripp Mickle and Mike Isaac.

SAN FRANCISCO — Before Sam Altman was ousted from OpenAI last week, he and the company's board of directors had been bickering for more than a year. The tension got worse as OpenAI became a mainstream name thanks to its popular ChatGPT chatbot.

Mr. Altman, the chief executive, recently made a move to push out one of the board's members because he thought a research paper she had co-written was critical of the company.

member, Ilva Another Sutskever, who is also OpenAI's chief scientist, thought Mr. Altman was not always being honest when talking with the board. And board members worried that Mr. Altman was too focused on expansion while they wanted to balance that growth with A.I. safety.

The news that he was being pushed out came in a videoconference on Friday afternoon, when Mr. Sutskever, who had worked closely with Mr. Altman at Open-AI for eight years, read to him a statement from the board. Though the decision stunned OpenAI's employees, exposing its board members to tough questions about their qualifications to manage such a high-profile company, it was the culmination of long-simmering boardroom tension.

The rift also showed how building new A.I. systems is testing whether businesspeople who Continued on Page A14

HIGH STAKES OpenAI's corporate drama shows the importance of a disruptive technology. PAGE B1

Killer Robots in the Sky? Arguing Over the Rules.

By ERIC LIPTON

UNITED NATIONS — It seems like something out of science fiction: swarms of killer robots that hunt down targets on their own and are capable of flying in for the kill without any human signing

But it is approaching reality as the United States, China and a handful of other nations make rapid progress in developing and deploying new technology that has the potential to reshape the nature of warfare by turning life-anddeath decisions over to autonomous drones equipped with artificial intelligence programs.

That prospect is so worrying to many other governments that they are trying to focus attention on it with proposals at the United Nations to impose legally binding Calls for U.N. Law on Autonomous Drones Meet Resistance

rules on the use of what militaries call lethal autonomous weapons.

"This is really one of the most significant inflection points for humanity," Alexander Kmentt, Austria's chief negotiator on the issue, said in an interview. "What's the role of human beings in the use of - it's an absolutely fundamental security issue, a legal issue and an ethical issue.'

But while the United Nations is providing a platform for governments to express their concerns, the process seems unlikely to yield substantive new legally binding restrictions. The United

States, Russia, Australia, Israel and others have all argued that no new international law is needed for now, while China wants to define any legal limit so narrowly that it would have little practical effect, arms control advocates say.

The result has been to tie the debate up in a procedural knot with little chance of progress on a legally binding mandate anytime

"We do not see that it is really the right time." Konstantin Vorontsov, the deputy head of the Russian delegation to the United Nations, told diplomats who were packed into a basement conference room recently at the U.N. headquarters in New York.

The debate over the risks of artificial intelligence has drawn new attention in recent days with the battle over control of OpenAI, per-Continued on Page A6



A drone with artificial intelligence could make a lethal attack with no human's permission required.

Americans Say Economy Is Bad. Their Spending Begs to Differ.

By CLAIRE CAIN MILLER and FRANCESCA PARIS

By traditional measures, the economy is strong. Inflation has slowed significantly. Wages are increasing. Unemployment is near a half-century low. Job satisfaction

Yet Americans don't necessarily see it that way. In the recent New York Times/Siena College

poll of voters in six swing states, eight in 10 said the economy was fair or poor. Just 2 percent said it was excellent. Majorities of every group of Americans - across gender, race, age, education, geography, income and party — had an unfavorable view.

To make the disconnect even more confusing, people are not acting the way they do when they believe the economy is bad. They

A Disconnect Looms in the Psyche of Voters

are spending, vacationing and job-switching the way they do when they believe it's good.

"People say, 'Economists don't know why we're unhappy? Just look at the prices!" said Betsey

Stevenson, an economist at the University of Michigan who worked in the Obama administration. "We're looking at the prices, and we're wondering, why are you buying so much stuff?"

"People have faced higher prices and that is difficult, but that doesn't explain why people have not cut back," she said of a phenomenon known as revealed pref-

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Israel and Hamas Agree To Pause War and Swap Hostages for Prisoners

A Deal Calls for Freeing 50 Captives in Gaza for 150 Jailed Palestinians

By PATRICK KINGSLEY

JERUSALEM After more than six weeks of war, the Israeli government and Hamas announced Wednesday morning that they would uphold a brief cease-fire in Gaza to allow for the release of 50 hostages Hamas captured during its assault last month on Israel

The deal, first announced by Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's office in a WhatsApp message, includes a pause of at least four days in the fighting in Gaza. If it holds, it would be the longest halt in hostilities since Hamas's Oct. 7 attacks prompted Israel to begin its bombardment and ground invasion of Gaza.

"The Israeli government is committed to the return of all abductees home," the government said. It added: "Tonight, the government approved the outline for the first stage of achieving this goal, according to which at least 50 abductees — women and children — will be released for four days, during which there will be a lull in the fighting. The release of every 10 additional abductees will result in an additional day of

In its own statement on Tele-

gram, Hamas affirmed the deal, saying, "After many days of difficult and complex negotiations, we announce, with the help and blessing of God, that we have reached a humanitarian truce."

Hamas added that the 50 Israelis would be freed in exchange for the release of 150 Palestinian women and young detainees held in Israeli jails. The Israeli hostages may not be

released until Thursday at the earliest to allow time for Israeli judges to review potential legal challenges to an agreement, according to an Israeli official.

Qatar, the lead mediator of the deal, did not immediately com-Under the terms of the deal, ac-

cording to the Hamas statement, 50 women and children under the age of 19 would be freed in exchange for the release of 150 Palestinian women and other detainees under the age of 19.

Fighting would halt for four days, Israeli troops would remain in their current positions, and Israel would refrain from flying surveillance aircraft over Gaza for six hours a day. Israel's statement did

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Families Worry About Health Of Ill, Frail or Injured Captives

By RONI CARYN RABIN

When armed Hamas terrorists invaded her home on Oct. 7, Karina Engelbert was still recovering from a double mastectomy and breast reconstruction surgery that had gone terribly awry. She was weak and easily fatigued, and a buildup of painful scar tissue on her chest caused tightness, limiting her mobility.

The militants kidnapped Ms. Engelbert, 51, and her entire family, including her husband, Ronen Engel, 54, and their daughters, 18year-old Mika and 11-year-old Yuval, snatching them from the safe room inside their home on the Nir Oz kibbutz and taking them to the Gaza Strip, where they have been held for over 40 days.

"The last I heard from my sister was on that black sabbath at 9:30 in the morning, and she spoke very quietly, and she said, 'They're inside the house,'" Ms. Engelbert's brother Diego Engelbert said in an interview.

He has not received any infor-

mation about his sister's condition, and she has not been visited by the International Red Cross, he "We don't know if she's getting any medical treatment, if anyone

is taking care of her, if she is getting any pain relief or any of the medication she needs to keep the cancer from coming back," Mr. Engelbert said. Early Wednesday morning, the

family members of the hostages were given the best news they had received in the more than six

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'Anarcho-Capitalist' President Has Drastic Plan for Argentina

This article is by Jack Nicas, Natalie Alcoba and Lucía Cholakian

BUENOS AIRES — Javier Milei was first introduced to the Argentine public as a combative television personality with an unruly hairdo and a tendency to insult his critics. So when he entered Argentina's presidential race last year, he was viewed by many as a sideshow.

On Sunday, he was elected Argentina's next president, and is now tasked with guiding one of Latin America's largest economies out of one of its worst economic crises

Many Argentines awoke on Monday anxious, others hopeful, but just about everyone was uncertain about what lay ahead.

Perhaps the only certainty about the country's political and economic future was that, in three weeks, a far-right political outsider with little governing experience was set to take the reins of a



Javier Milei, a libertarian econ-

omist, is a political newcomer. government that he has vowed to

upend. In other words, it is Argentina's

Donald Trump moment.

Mr. Milei, a libertarian economist and freshman congressman, made clear in his victory speech

on Sunday that he would move fast to overhaul the government and economy. "Argentina's situa-

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The Dutch Head to the Polls

A protest vote may be coalescing around a centrist as the Netherlands holds national elections.

Kyiv Remembers an Uprising The Maidan revolution, which toppled a

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Wisconsin's Supreme Court, with a 4-to-3 liberal majority, is examining the district maps that have locked in G.O.P. control of the Legislature.

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and demotions, but many see the mayor's plan as a negotiating ploy. PAGE A17

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Artist for Ominous 'Jaws' Poster

Roger Kastel's painting of a lurking shark became an enduring image for the blockbuster 1975 film. He was 92.

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Changpeng Zhao will pay a \$50 million fine and step down as C.E.O., the latest blow to the crypto world after the implosion of FTX last year. PAGE B1

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Discount wireless services, as fast and robust as those from big carriers, can save you thousands. PAGE B1

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Adding Horror to the Menu

The director Eli Roth has realized his long-held dream of making a gory movie about Thanksgiving. PAGE C1

Grace on Wheels

Chelsie Hill, second from right, built a dance team, and a sisterhood for women and girls with disabilities.



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A Luby's Thanksgiving

The 39 locations of the nearly centuryold Texas chain are filled from morning to evening on the holiday.

J. Kenji López-Alt's post-Thanksgiving

Hot-Pocketing the Leftovers

idea falls somewhere between a calzone and a Costco chicken bake.

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