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About 45,000 police are slated to protect Paris in a bid to prevent a terrorist attack such as the one (below) in 1972 in Munich that killed 11 members of Israel's team.



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In 1948, the Olympics committee banned Japan and Germany from sending athletes to London (above). Protesters (right) are calling for a ban on Israel for the devastation in the Gaza Strip.



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## In the City of Light, a Games ringed by war, global tensions

Paris to have heaviest security in Olympic history amid terrorism fears, conflicts in Ukraine, Gaza

By John Powers

GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

This summer's Paris Olympics were envisioned as a return to five-ringed normalcy after the Tokyo Games, which were postponed a year by the global pandemic and held amid extensive COVID precautions in venues without spectators.

"We are longing for something that gives us hope," International Olympic Committee president Thomas Bach said in April when the Olympic flame was kindled in Greece, observing that these Games would be "an unforgettable celebration of human excellence, a celebration of our humanity."

Yet the XXXIIIrd edition, which begins

July 26, will be held amid raging wars in Ukraine and Gaza and fears that terrorists will disrupt the Games.

The host city elevated its terror threat to maximum in March. And the opening ceremony, which will feature more than 10,000 athletes floating in boats along the Seine instead of marching into the Stade de France, will be conducted amid the heaviest security in Games history.

The number of spectators for the event

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## Little oversight of conditions at migrant hotels

Amid health concerns, few of the temporary quarters are inspected

By Stephanie Ebbert and Deirdre Fernandes

GLOBE STAFF

State inspectors have yet to set foot in most of the hotels rented at taxpayer expense to house thousands of homeless families, including migrants, failing to ensure that the hastily arranged accommodations meet basic health and safety standards, a Globe investigation found.

Though the state agreed in its shelter contracts to conduct regular inspections, officials examined only 20 of the 128 hotels, apparently in response to complaints, and found some conditions so dismal they had to move residents out.

In most of the hotels the state did inspect, investigators reported an extensive list of health and safety violations: roaches, mouse droppings, mold infestations, blocked exits, and inoperable smoke detectors. A Brighton motel was so riddled with mold that it was later evacuated for a full remediation.

The Globe requested all state inspections of hotels used as shelters as part of an in-depth review of the Healey administration's response to the homeless and migrant crisis.

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Kimrâh Minuty said she spent nine months trying to convince providers that the Catholic Charities Inn in Brighton was full of mold.

## For select lawmakers, a stealthy sinecure

Paid extra as committee chairs, even if they don't do any business in public

By Emma Platoff and Laura Crimaldi

GLOBE STAFF

As chairman of two committees in the Massachusetts Senate, Democrat Mark Montigny of New Bedford earns \$61,000 in leadership stipends, which bump up his annual pay to \$162,000 — more than double the base salary of state lawmakers.

But it's unclear what the Senate Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and the Senate Committee on Steering and Policy have achieved under his leadership.

During the current two-year legislative session, neither of Montigny's committees has held a single public hearing or considered a single bill. When the Globe asked what the committees have done since January 2023, Montigny said the panels "serve in an advisory capacity to enhance the overall policy work of the Senate" — but declined to say whether either had even convened.

They are not the only legislative committees producing few clear accomplishments, and Montigny is far from the only state lawmaker collecting tens of thousands of dollars in extra pay for a legis-

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## Verdict holds little sway in battleground

In Wisconsin, Trump's guilt reinforces divisions

By Jim Puzzanghera

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CHIPPEWA FALLS, Wis. — Former president Donald Trump's felony conviction was historic, but in this city of 14,000 people in a pivotal battleground state, it didn't alter the deep-baked opinions of the morning regulars at Sid Harvey's Family Diner.

Trump supporters dismissed the case as a politically motivated sham. Backers of President Biden said the conviction upheld the rule of law. And voters who were undecided before the jury delivered its 34 guilty verdicts Thursday remained undecided as they digested the news with their breakfast Friday morning.

"It won't make any difference because the ones

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**Allegations of sexual abuse by a teacher cast shadows** on decades of oversight at Pittsfield prep school, Yvonne Abraham writes. **B1.**

**Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu appeared to dim hopes of swift adoption of Gaza truce** as pitched by President Biden. **A2.**

Same ol' same sol

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