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Russia fires another barrage at Ukrainian cities as next round of US-brokered talks is unclear

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Russia has attacked Ukrainian cities again overnight as Ukraine accuses Russia of dragging its feet on new U.S.-brokered peace talks

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Reform UK on receiving end of 'rubbish' jab as MP links **Nigel Farage's** party to Birmingham bin crisis

Independent (News) · Thu, 12 Feb 2026 09:12:35 GMT

An Independent MP compared Reform UK MPs to "rubbish" whilst discussing the ongoing Birmingham bin crisis .

<https://www.independent.co.uk/tv/news/reform-uk-nigel-farage-birmingham-bin-video-b2918821.html>

Security guard reveals how he survived parking garage collapse after building 'pancaked' beneath him

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 12 Feb 2026 08:05:39 GMT

Jose Cruz was guarding an abandoned property in the River Oaks area of Houston on January 24 when an HVAC cooling tower collapsed 30 minutes into his shift.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15549793/Parking-garage-collapse-Houston-River-oaks-Jose-Cruz.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15549793/Parking-garage-collapse-Houston-River-oaks-Jose-Cruz.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

Argentine workers clash with police as senators debate labor reform, in photos

Independent (News) · Thu, 12 Feb 2026 01:41:37 GMT

Thousands of workers mobilized by powerful trade unions converged outside Argentina's Congress , blocking traffic and clashing with police, as senators opened debate on a sweeping overhaul of the nation's rigid labor laws. Security forces fired water cannons and rubber bullets to control the crowds as some protesters l

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/argentine-buenos-aires-instagram-congress-b2918736.html>

## ***Keir Starmer***

Angela Rayner takes aim at **Keir Starmer** and Rachel Reeves over 'punishing' business rates as she demands more help for Britain's 'decaying' high streets... while she heaps praise on Andy Burnham

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 12 Feb 2026 12:53:20 GMT

The former deputy prime minister, who was forced to quit the Government last year amid a tax row, called for greater support for the hospitality and nightlife sector.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15553497/Angela-Rayner-takes-aim-Keir-Starmer-Rachel-Reeves-punishing-business-rates-demands-help-Britains-decaying-high-streets-heaps-praise-Andy-Burnham.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15553497/Angela-Rayner-takes-aim-Keir-Starmer-Rachel-Reeves-punishing-business-rates-demands-help-Britains-decaying-high-streets-heaps-praise-Andy-Burnham.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

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Whitehall war over **Starmer's** 'plan' to sack Cabinet Secretary and install Antonia Romeo in top job - with ex-mandarin publicly warning over vetting

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 12 Feb 2026 12:43:10 GMT

Former top diplomat Lord McDonald of Salford has taken the highly unusual step of publicly warning No10 against the move.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15553149/Whitehall-war-Starmer-Cabinet-Secretary-Antonia-Romeo-vetting-Kemi-Badenoch.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15553149/Whitehall-war-Starmer-Cabinet-Secretary-Antonia-Romeo-vetting-Kemi-Badenoch.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

'Bland, boring, no sense of direction, no charisma': Polling guru's devastating verdict on **Keir Starmer** as he says Scottish Labour leader was RIGHT to urge PM to quit

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 12 Feb 2026 12:39:01 GMT

Sir Keir has faced his worst week in office so far after Anas Sarwar demanded he resign in the wake of the Peter Mandelson scandal.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15553107/Bland-boring-no-sense-direction-no-charisma-Polling-gurus-devastating-verdict-Keir-Starmer-says-Scottish-Labour-leader-RIGHT-urge-PM-quit.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15553107/Bland-boring-no-sense-direction-no-charisma-Polling-gurus-devastating-verdict-Keir-Starmer-says-Scottish-Labour-leader-RIGHT-urge-PM-quit.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

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<https://www.theguardian.com/politics/live/2026/feb/12/uk-politics-latest-news-updates-labour-jim-ratcliffe-keir-starmer>

Jim Ratcliffe apologises after claiming migrants have 'colonised' the UK

Independent (News) · Thu, 12 Feb 2026 12:37:37 GMT

Sir Jim, one of Britain's richest men, has been under pressure from a string of high-profile politicians, including Sir Keir Starmer, to apologise.

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/business/jim-ratcliffe-keir-starmer-manchester-united-ineos-andy-burnham-b2919039.html>

'We look like the paedo protector party': **Starmer** fights to contain Labour fury at 'unforgivable' shambles over Mandelson and peerage for ex-spin doctor

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 12 Feb 2026 12:27:55 GMT

Keir Starmer is still being battered by MPs despite seemingly staving off the immediate threat of a coup.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15553405/Starmer-Labour-unforgivable-shambles-Mandelson-peerage-Doyle.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15553405/Starmer-Labour-unforgivable-shambles-Mandelson-peerage-Doyle.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

Manchester United owner Ratcliffe may face FA charge over immigrants rant

City AM (News) · Thu, 12 Feb 2026 12:23:03 +0000

Manchester United co-owner Sir Jim Ratcliffe could face a Football Association charge over his widely-criticised comments that the UK has been "colonised by immigrants". Prime Minister Sir Keir Starmer and the Mayor of Greater Manchester Andy Burnham have already condemned Ratcliffe's remarks and now the FA is set

<https://www.cityam.com/manchester-united-owner-ratcliffe-may-face-fa-charge-over-immigrants-rant/>

Utter chaos as No10 refuses to say who is the UK's most senior civil servant

Daily Express (Politics) · Thu, 12 Feb 2026 12:13:00 +0000

Keir Starmer's spokesman could not confirm who the Cabinet Secretary is currently.

<https://www.express.co.uk/news/politics/2170064/Sir-Chris-Wormald-cabinet-secretary-starmer>

**Starmer** faces backlash over ousting of Britain's top civil servant

Financial Times (UK) · Thu, 12 Feb 2026 12:03:08 GMT

Cabinet secretary Chris Wormald's exit follows resignations of prime minister's chief of staff and communications director

<https://www.ft.com/content/841d1425-440a-4bb7-99ba-f23cea3789ea>

Reeves and **Starmer** aren't content with killing the economy - now they're insulting us too

Daily Express (News) · Thu, 12 Feb 2026 11:45:00 +0000

Rachel Reeves and Keir Starmer clearly think we're stupid. They reckon we'll swallow any old nonsense.

<https://www.express.co.uk/finance/personalfinance/2170045/reeves-starmer-arent-content-killing-economy-insulting-us-too>

Angela Rayner launches scathing attack on Rachel Reeves piling more pressure on **Starmer**

Daily Express (Politics) · Thu, 12 Feb 2026 11:43:00 +0000

Angela Rayner appeared to position herself as more pro-business ahead of the inevitable leadership challenge.

<https://www.express.co.uk/news/politics/2170050/angela-rayner-rachel-reeves-taxes-businesses>

**Keir Starmer** says Jim Ratcliffe is 'offensive and wrong' as he calls on Manchester United co-owner to apologise for saying UK has been colonised by immigrants

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 12 Feb 2026 11:35:06 GMT

The Prime Minister has said that the Manchester United owner and INEOS billionaire must apologise 'immediately', adding: 'Britain is a proud, tolerant and diverse country'.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15552701/Keir-Starmer-says-Jim-Ratcliffe-offensive-wrong-calls-Manchester-United-owner-apologise-saying-UK-colonised-immigrants.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15552701/Keir-Starmer-says-Jim-Ratcliffe-offensive-wrong-calls-Manchester-United-owner-apologise-saying-UK-colonised-immigrants.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

**Starmer** 'knew ex-comms chief Lord Doyle supported paedophile councillor'



Former top diplomat reveals he has tried to stop Sir **Keir Starmer** making 'Queen of Woke' the Cabinet Secretary

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 12 Feb 2026 09:37:10 GMT

Lord McDonald of Salford revealed he has warned No10 against Dame Antonia Romeo being made Cabinet Secretary.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15551883/Warnings-PM-making-Queen-Woke-Cabinet-Secretary.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15551883/Warnings-PM-making-Queen-Woke-Cabinet-Secretary.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

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UK economy limps along at 0.1% growth – but there are reasons for optimism in 2026

Guardian (UK News) · Thu, 12 Feb 2026 09:14:00 GMT

Consumers and businesses are not yet taking the hint despite six interest rate cuts UK economy grows by only 0.1% amid falling business investment Business live – latest updates Rachel Reeves has suggested 2026 is the year Labour can start to deliver on its economic promises; but 0.1% GDP growth in the final quarter of

<https://www.theguardian.com/business/2026/feb/12/uk-economy-gdp-reasons-for-optimism-analysis>

**Keir Starmer** is engulfed in another paedophile scandal... what message does that send to the women who are victims of sexual abuse? DAN HODGES

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 12 Feb 2026 08:13:08 GMT

It's time for Keir Starmer and his MPs to stop. Stop the gaslighting. Stop the lying. Stop the sickening hypocrisy.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/debate/article-15551645/Keir-Starmer-paedophile-scandal-sexual-abuse-DAN-HODGES.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/debate/article-15551645/Keir-Starmer-paedophile-scandal-sexual-abuse-DAN-HODGES.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

Another paedophile scandal for **Starmer** begs more questions: DAN HODGES - Daily Mail

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Labour women's fury over second paedophile crisis: **Starmer's** judgement savaged over ANOTHER peer's ties to a sex offender as female MPs blast No10 'boys' club'

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 12 Feb 2026 07:24:56 GMT

The Prime Minister was skewered in the Commons over his decision to hand a peerage to Matthew Doyle - despite knowing he had stayed friends with a Labour councillor charged with child-sex offences.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15551647/PMs-judgement-savaged-peers-ties-sex-offender.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15551647/PMs-judgement-savaged-peers-ties-sex-offender.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

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Britain has been 'colonised' by immigrants who are 'costing too much money', says Manchester United co-owner Sir Jim Ratcliffe

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 12 Feb 2026 07:23:09 GMT

The 73-year-old businessman's comments prompted a response from under-pressure Prime Minister Sir Keir Starmer late on Wednesday.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15550775/Britain-colonised-immigrants-costing-money.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15550775/Britain-colonised-immigrants-costing-money.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

**Keir Starmer** meets King Charles for first time since release of Epstein files

Independent (News) · Thu, 12 Feb 2026 06:18:13 GMT

Sir Keir and his wife, Lady Victoria, joined the King and Queen to honour carers across the UK

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/home-news/starmer-king-charles-epstein-andrew-mandelson-windsor-castle-b2918600.html>

Behold the incredible shrinking **Starmer**: the PM who promises more while giving less | Aditya Chakraborty

Guardian (Politics) · Thu, 12 Feb 2026 06:00:43 GMT

It is not just this doomed government but the Labour party itself that is disappearing before our very eyes. When he does go, what will the political death certificate give as the true cause of Keir Starmer's demise? It won't be the Peter Mandelson scandal, the policy U-turns or the bleak nights at provincial counting c

<https://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2026/feb/12/keir-starmer-prime-minister-government-labour-party>

Who is Antonia Romeo and why is she tipped to be the next cabinet secretary?

Guardian (UK News) · Thu, 12 Feb 2026 06:00:39 GMT

With Chris Wormald being forced out, Romeo is a frontrunner with a reputation for being forthright. Antonia Romeo is not a typical civil servant, according to almost everyone who has worked with or met her in a professional context. Charming, ambitious and not afraid to publicise her own achievements, Romeo was on the s

<https://www.theguardian.com/politics/2026/feb/12/antonia-romeo-and-tipped-next-cabinet-secretary>

'You call it a shitshow – I say it's unforgivable': Lisa Nandy on Epstein, Mandelson and Labour's torrid week



Guardian (Politics) · Thu, 12 Feb 2026 05:00:38 GMT

The culture secretary talks about secret briefings, the need for solidarity and why the government must recognise its big moment of reckoning. It is the day after the night before. On Monday, Keir Starmer looked as if he was on his last political legs. At lunchtime, the Scottish Labour party leader Anas Sarwar called for

<https://www.theguardian.com/lifeandstyle/2026/feb/12/lisa-nandy-on-epstein-mandelson-and-labour-torrid-week>

**Starmer** tells Sir Jim Ratcliffe to apologise for saying UK 'colonised by immigrants'

BBC (Politics) · Thu, 12 Feb 2026 04:12:29 GMT

Sir Keir Starmer says comments by the businessman and Manchester United co-owner are "offensive and wrong".

[https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/ckglv1n4dzeo?at\\_medium=RSS&at\\_campaign=rss](https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/ckglv1n4dzeo?at_medium=RSS&at_campaign=rss)

Chris Mason: Latest vetting row raises fresh concerns over **Starmer's** judgement

BBC (UK) · Thu, 12 Feb 2026 03:13:29 GMT

The BBC's political editor analyses the vetting rows facing the PM over Lord Doyle and Lord Mandelson.

[https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c0mgzr3e18jo?at\\_medium=RSS&at\\_campaign=rss](https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c0mgzr3e18jo?at_medium=RSS&at_campaign=rss)

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Burnham? He may be too Northern to be Prime Minister... says one of his OWN allies

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 12 Feb 2026 01:22:08 GMT

Lucy Powell backed Mr Burnham's failed bid to return to parliament last month, but yesterday stopped short of publicly endorsing him to succeed Keir Starmer .

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15551805/Burnham-Northern-Prime-Minister-says-one-allies.html?ns\\_mchan=nel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15551805/Burnham-Northern-Prime-Minister-says-one-allies.html?ns_mchan=nel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

Britain's predicament will get worse before it gets better

Economist (Latest) · Thu, 12 Feb 2026 00:55:21 +0000

With Sir Keir Starmer weakened, the government will drift left

<https://www.economist.com/leaders/2026/02/12/britains-predicament-will-get-worse-before-it-gets-better>

## ***Kemi Badenoch***

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<https://www.theguardian.com/politics/live/2026/feb/12/uk-politics-latest-news-updates-labour-jim-ratcliffe-keir-starmer>

Don't sack cabinet secretary until Mandelson files published, **Badenoch** says

BBC (UK) · Thu, 12 Feb 2026 11:36:18 GMT

Head of the Civil Service Sir Chris Wormald is understood to be negotiating an exit package from his job.

[https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c98qene0gpdo?at\\_medium=RSS&at\\_campaign=rss](https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c98qene0gpdo?at_medium=RSS&at_campaign=rss)

## ***John Swinney***

Telegraph nominated for 20 press awards

Telegraph (UK News) · Thu, 12 Feb 2026 06:03:00 GMT

Winners will be announced at the Press Awards ceremony on May 21 this year

<https://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/2026/02/12/telegraph-nominated-for-20-press-awards/>

## ***Ed Davey***

Have YOU got the 'green bubble ick'? iPhone users say they're immediately turned off when they realise a potential partner uses an Android

Daily Mail (Articles) · Thu, 12 Feb 2026 11:44:10 +0000

iPhone users claim they're immediately turned off when they realise a potential partner uses an Android, in a concept dubbed the 'green bubble ick'.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/sciencetech/article-15553141/green-bubble-ick-iPhone-Android.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns\\_campaign=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/sciencetech/article-15553141/green-bubble-ick-iPhone-Android.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns_campaign=1490)

Forget the pizza oven! Middle class cooks are now coveting an 'industry' kitchen appliance for their marble countertop - and top chefs say it'll save you money

Daily Mail (Articles) · Thu, 12 Feb 2026 11:43:13 +0000

Clear the counterspace, there's a new appliance - straight from the deli - that's wooing middle class cooks.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/lifestyle/article-15549247/professional-kitchen-appliance-slicer-home-cook.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns\\_campaign=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/lifestyle/article-15549247/professional-kitchen-appliance-slicer-home-cook.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns_campaign=1490)

Is Jim Ratcliffe right about migration? Vote now and have your say

Daily Express (News) · Thu, 12 Feb 2026 10:51:00 +0000

The Manchester United owner has caused anger amongst some with his comments on migration.

<https://www.express.co.uk/news/uk/2170004/jim-ratcliffe-immigration-vote-poll>

'One in a billion': Dawson's Creek stars lead tributes to James Van Der Beek

BBC (World) · Thu, 12 Feb 2026 09:02:30 GMT

Katie Holmes pays tribute to her late co-star's "bravery, compassion, selflessness and strength".

[https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/cewz2yr47dvo?at\\_medium=RSS&at\\_campaign=rss](https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/cewz2yr47dvo?at_medium=RSS&at_campaign=rss)

Should Princesses Beatrice and Eugenie be excluded from any future royal roles? Have your say in the Palace Confidential poll



Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 12 Feb 2026 08:36:30 GMT

You've read the headlines and heard our experts' opinions - but what do YOU think?

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/royals/article-15546805/Should-Princesses-Beatrice-Eugenie-banned-future-royal-roles-say-Palace-Confidential-poll.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/royals/article-15546805/Should-Princesses-Beatrice-Eugenie-banned-future-royal-roles-say-Palace-Confidential-poll.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

Youth work 'black holes' in half of all council areas in England, study finds

Guardian (UK News) · Thu, 12 Feb 2026 06:00:40 GMT

Exclusive: First mapping of youth centres in decades shows poorer areas in north worst affected by cuts since 2010 'We're on a cliff edge': the struggle to keep youth services alive in Knowsley Almost half of all council areas in England have youth work "black holes" with few or no services despite high levels of depri

<https://www.theguardian.com/society/2026/feb/12/youth-work-cuts-england-map-study>

Jesse Strang, 18, named as transgender Canadian school shooter who murdered eight before dying by suicide

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 12 Feb 2026 04:41:04 GMT

Jesse Strang was reported to be transgender by two local outlets, although Royal Canadian Mounted Police have yet to confirm this.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15549577/jesse-strang-tumbler-ridge-school-shooting.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15549577/jesse-strang-tumbler-ridge-school-shooting.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

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Whitehall war over Starmer's 'plan' to sack Cabinet Secretary and install Antonia Romeo in top job - with ex-mandarin publicly warning over vetting

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 12 Feb 2026 12:43:10 GMT

Former top diplomat Lord McDonald of Salford has taken the highly unusual step of publicly warning No10 against the move.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15553149/Whitehall-war-Starmer-Cabinet-Secretary-Antonia-Romeo-vetting-Kemi-Badenoch.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15553149/Whitehall-war-Starmer-Cabinet-Secretary-Antonia-Romeo-vetting-Kemi-Badenoch.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

Former top diplomat reveals he has tried to stop Sir Keir Starmer making 'Queen of Woke' the Cabinet Secretary

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 12 Feb 2026 09:37:10 GMT

Lord McDonald of Salford revealed he has warned No10 against Dame Antonia Romeo being made Cabinet Secretary.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15551883/Warnings-PM-making-Queen-Woke-Cabinet-Secretary.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15551883/Warnings-PM-making-Queen-Woke-Cabinet-Secretary.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

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